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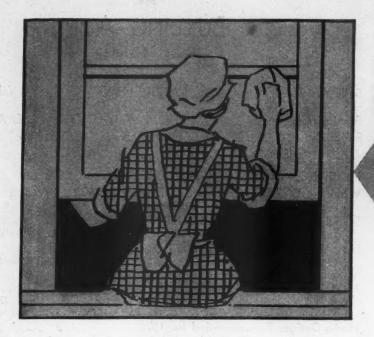
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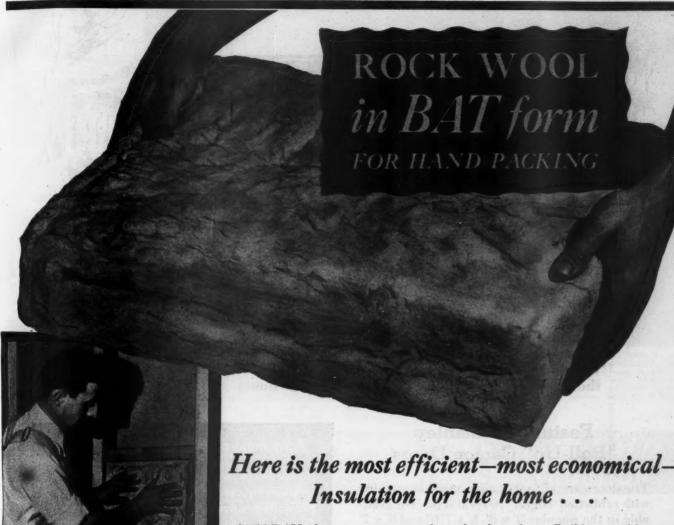
### J-M Triple-Thick Home Insulation has these Advantages:



- 1 It is not just fire-resistant it positively will not burn.
- 2 It is absolutely vermin-proof.
- 3 Triple-Thick Institution—a light, fluffy "wool" blown from rock—will not settle, deteriorate, or change its physical characteristics in any way... is as everlasting as the rock from which it is made.
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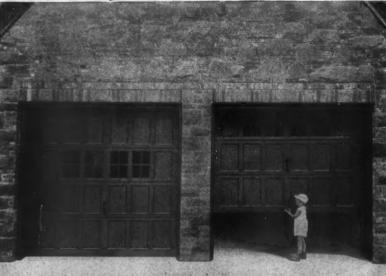
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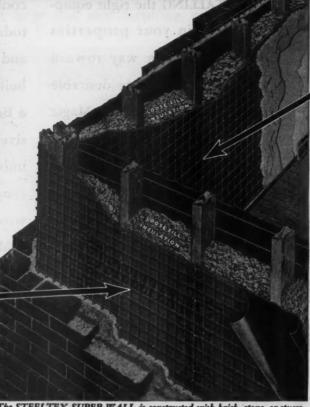
### IT TAKES STEELTEX ... inside and outside TO BUILD THE SUPER-WALL



STEELTEX 38-16 is wrapped around in shingle fashion, and nailed direct to wood studding. STEELTEX has three-ply water-proofed membrane backing integral with wire reinforcing mesh.



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(At left) Ordinary brick veneer construction is drafty, hard to heat, damp; fire gains headway due to air spaces creating flue action between sheathing and unprotected studs.

(At left, below) STEELTEX Super-Wall withstood heavy stream for 48 hours without showing any water penetration on reverse side, ordinary wall leaks almost immediately.

(Below) STEELTEX and one tinch cement applied direct to studs is twice as strong as diagonal sheathing and siding.

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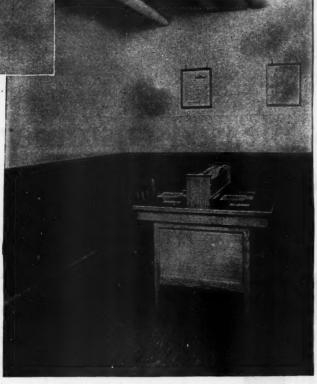
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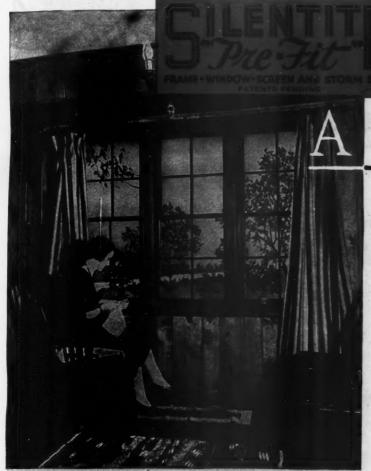


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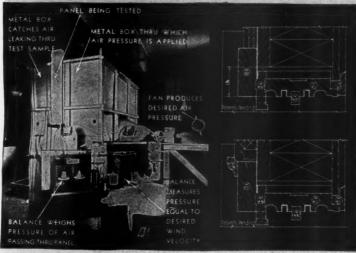
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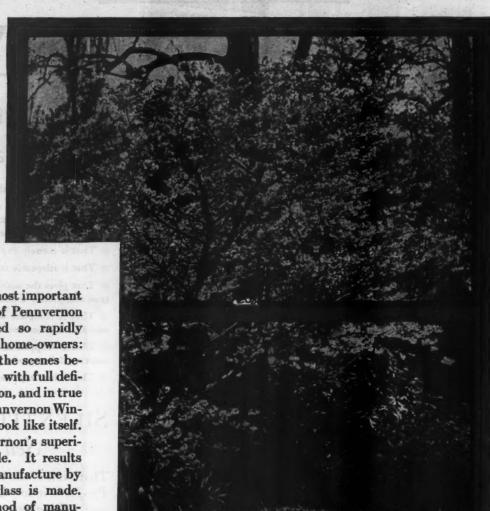
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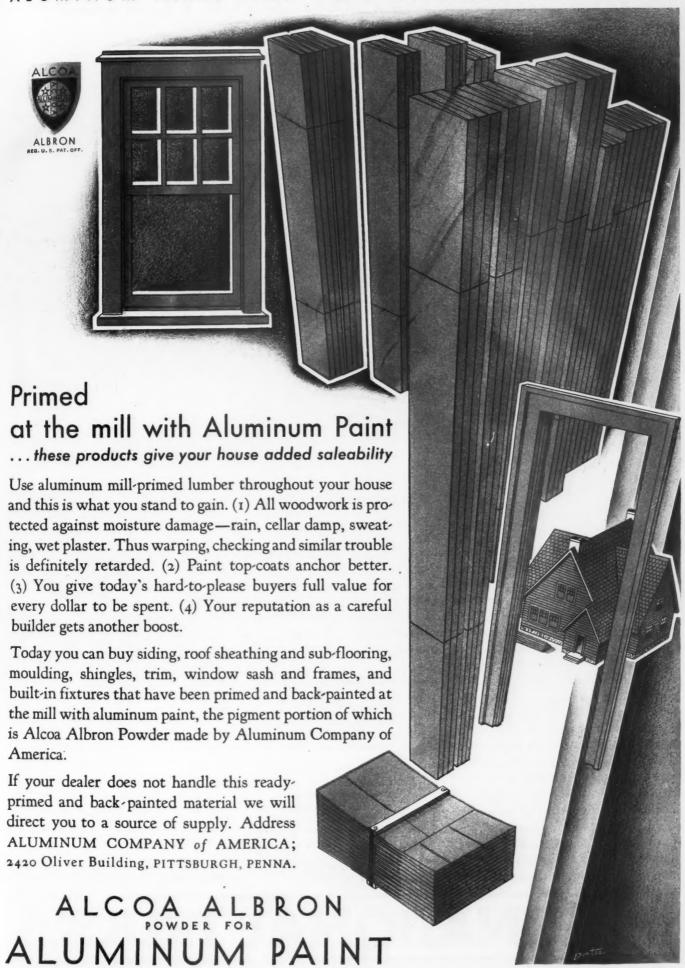
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### 1932 HOUSING STANDARDS AND UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

A Challenge and an Opportunity

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URING the past winter in many communities the local contractors, carpenters and other building tradesmen have been treated to a convincing lesson on how to get business. The Rochester Plan, the Muncie Plan and the other community plan drives to relieve unemployment, insofar as they have succeeded, have been organized on the basis of a consistent and thorough house-to-house canvass of home owners to persuade them to take advantage of present low building costs—and, at the same time, put men to work—by making needed repairs and betterments to their homes and other buildings.

These campaigns have centered around home maintenance and remodeling as affecting the greatest number of families and as offering the most justifiable avenue of investment for "hoarded" or other funds. There has been strong public backing for these campaigns for employment on home improvements. Press and pulpit and all community organizations have taken up the cry until now home repairs have acquired such a standing that the man who has his back porch repaired or a new bath tub put in is almost regarded as a public benefactor.

The men of the building industry—carpenters, plumbers, roofers, the contractors, dealers, architects—find themselves right now in the path of this surge of public sentiment. It is their opportunity to stimulate general business and at the same time to help themselves. Yet, how many are taking advantage of this opportunity in the aggressive, sales-creative way which the automobile industry, for instance, would if the same public backing were given the proposition of new car buying and old car modernizing?

This publication has maintained that one of the causes of the present depression is that the men of the home building industry have permitted their commodity, the modern home, to be *outsold* by motor cars and radios and other luxury lines. The public has been led to spend its money for these non-essentials, leaving little or none for



Theodore Eicholz, Architect

investment in homes and in home improvements, until today America is economically out of balance. Many business leaders agree that community building and modernizing campaigns are needed as the surest means of reestablishing employment and normal prosperity.

This is a challenge to contractors and builders and to lumber and building material dealers to carry this work further. It is a rare opportunity to demonstrate leadership and sales ability. Contractors, builders and dealers are the men best qualified to plan and execute a community building drive; and a large part of the work will naturally fall to them. They should be in the forefront of the forces organizing in every locality to create sentiment for home improvements and they should immediately arrange to inspect and survey every house and every business building so as to determine what repairs and betterments are needed. This is work for men experienced in construction and competent to give owners sound advice as to what should be done.

Housing must be improved. The need is urgent Dilapidated and insanitary houses cast a blight over many neighborhoods. Some call for condemnation proceedings and a wrecking crew, others justify extensive repairs. Every street has its examples of old style, outmoded architecture that no longer measures up to present day standards.

The new styles in homes and the many innovations in building materials and home equipment which 1932 offers the public also challenge builders to do a mighty job this year of bringing their communities up to date from a housing and architectural standpoint. Contractors and builders should use their organizing and selling ability. They are accustomed to seek out their clients and customers from among the general public, finding the man who will buy a home or will order one built, and the

home owner who needs his roof renewed or a sun porch built on; and this is the time of all times when they should be doing this. The present season calls for aggressive and creative selling of new homes and of home improvements. Architects and builders must redouble their efforts at planning and selling; and the supply men, also, must come out of their warehouses and help with this selling job if maximum results are to be secured.

The general business public is looking to the home building industry to get the money out of hiding and the men back to work. The 1932 models are ready, and the home-owning and home-seeking public is waiting. It is a challenging opportunity!

### TAXATION OF REAL ESTATE AND MOTOR VEHICLES

N incident that occurred recently in the Chicago district emphasized a point that repeatedly has been made by the AMERICAN BUILDER AND BUILDING AGE—namely, that a larger part of the cost of building and maintaining highways should be paid with taxes collected from motor vehicles, and a smaller part with taxes collected from real estate.

Sheridan Road is the highway which begins at Lincoln Park in Chicago and runs northward along the beautiful shore of Lake Michigan through that city and through several of the finest residential suburbs in the country to Milwaukee. It was proposed by the Illinois state highway department partly to reconstruct Sheridan Road to make it safer and more suitable for through traffic. The village boards of five of the principal suburbs adopted resolutions opposing this plan. "We want to discourage, rather than to encourage, the use of Sheridan Road for through traffic," said their spokesman. This traffic, he said, should be diverted to routes some miles west of Lake Michigan. "The suburban home owners," he contended, "should be saved from the noise, fumes and hazards of through traffic."

Our governments have proceeded in the past upon the assumption that the construction of hard-surfaced highways benefits and increases the value of real estate, especially of that adjacent to them, and that therefore real estate should be taxed to provide funds for their construction and maintenance. Less than one-half of the money now spent upon the highways of the country is collected from motor vehicles in license fees and gasoline taxes, and more than one-half from general property; and taxes for highway purposes are among the most burdensome now borne by real estate. Thomas H. MacDonald, chief of the United States Bureau of Public Roads, in testifying recently before a Senate committee, contended that only 13,300 miles of "hard roads," or only about 15 per cent of the total mileage of important highways, should be supported by motor vehicle taxation. All other roads he classed as "land serving" and therefore as roads that should be provided and maintained by taxes on real estate—in other words,

by taxes on the already grossly overtaxed farms and residential property of the country. In the state of Pennsylvania, for example, the mileage of rural roads—those outside of cities—is about 90,000, of which 25,000 miles are surfaced, and Mr. MacDonald contended that only about one-half of even this hard-surfaced mileage should be provided and maintained from motor vehicle taxes—in other words, that 76,700 out of the total of 90,000 miles should be provided and maintained from real estate taxes.

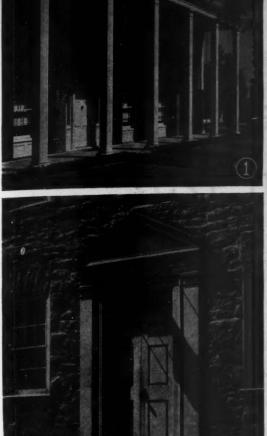
#### Destructive to Realty Values

Owners of real estate and all other persons who desire to see a revival of building construction, and especially of home building, should squarely and vigorously oppose the policy of taxation for highway purposes advocated by Mr. MacDonald, who evidently is much more anxious for the prosperity of the automobile industry than for a revival of the building industry. Throughout the country owners of real estate, including both farms and homes, are suffering severely from reckless government expenditures and the excessive taxation, especially of real estate, in which they have resulted. Sometimes real estate is benefited, but often it is actually injured, by highway development. Adjacent real estate consisting of homes is injured when the development of a highway results in a heavy traffic, consisting not only of pleasure vehicles but also of huge buses and trucks, passing by it constantly at all hours of the day and night. On the other hand, users of the highways are benefited, provided highway development is not carried to such an excess that even those who own motor vehicles cannot bear the taxes thereby made necessary.

#### Only Those Benefited Should Pay

Those who benefit by any public expenditure should, as nearly as possible, be made to bear all the taxation in which it results. The highways being built and maintained throughout the country are being provided almost entirely for the use of motor vehicles, and the more expensive for the use of buses and trucks. Therefore, the entire cost of building and maintaining them should be imposed upon the users of motor vehicles; and, as total motor vehicle taxes are not now sufficient to pay the entire cost, either expenditures upon highways should be reduced or the amount of taxes collected from motor vehicles as a whole should be largely increased.

Most owners of real estate also own automobiles. When motor vehicle taxes are made high enough in proportion to highway expenses, the owners of real estate who also own automobiles will pay their share of them as automobile owners. Real estate should not continue to be so taxed that its owners will continue to pay much more than their share of highway expenses, in order that those who own motor vehicles, but who do not own real estate, may continue to escape paying a large part of their reasonable share of highway expenses.





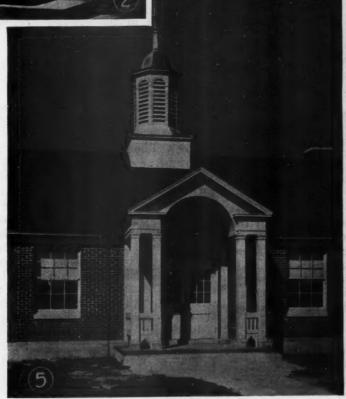
I—Tall pillars, fine Colonial details make this California home attractive. Photo by Mott.

2—Entrance detail of fire station and town hall at Mamaroneck, N. Y., showing careful design.

3—Illustrating the modern trend in city apartment design which emphasizes wide courts, trees, grass, sunshine.

4—Excellent treatment of small frame wing of house of Vincent Astor, New York. Aymar Embury II, architect.

5—Inviting entrance to public school at Hartly, Del., in which Colonial treatment is effective.





### Needed in 1932 ...

Regardless of pessimists, there is a real need and a big market in the United States today for better small homes—modern apartments with courts and sunshine—healthful schools. Especially to the Modern Home—1932 Model, is this issue dedicated.

### An analysis of

# What the Well Dressed House Will Wear in 1932

### Design specialists say—

The interesting combination of several materials in one house is a popular trend.

The public is more "design conscious" than ever before; builders are giving them better architecture.

Exteriors tend to be more harmonious, simple; there is less "gingerbread" and unnecessary ornamentation.

The big market yet untouched lies in the \$1500 to \$4000 residential field.

### Regional types

Colonial architecture is most popular in the East with English a close second.

Middlewest builders still favor English, but also like Colonial and French.

Southwest and South still prefers the Spanish, modified to localities. English stucco houses growing more popular. Several new types, such as "Monterey" and "Pueblo" are attracting attention.

HILE house construction in many parts of the United States has been practically at a standstill, ideas as to architecture, planning and use of materials have been developing rapidly.

A survey of the activities of builders and architects in the important geographical districts of the country shows how the public's ideas on architecture have been changing.

Builders report that the public is more "design conscious" than ever before and that clients appreciate and are demanding houses of architectural variety and merit.

This year, therefore, builders are taking advantage of low material prices and a plentifulness of good architectural talent available at low cost to provide style appeal of a high order, combined with low sales price.

The general trend everywhere is toward roomy and convenient interior layouts in which waste space has been eliminated. Exteriors tend to make use of one of the popular period styles, such as English, Colonial, Spanish or French adapted to the needs and customs of the local community.

There is a tendency toward more simplicity of exterior in which good use of mass and geometrical forms, spacing of windows, and good composition replace the former striving for effect by use of unnecessary orna-

ments or superficial gables, "gingerbread" trimming, etc.
Combinations of materials are growing in popularity.
The variety and interest some builders formerly employed to catch the public eye by adding unnecessary and oftentimes grotesque exterior ornamentation is being achieved in a more permanently pleasing fashion by the

intelligent and conservative combination of several materials.

By combining stone, brick, stucco, shingles, wide siding in various ways in keeping with the architectural style, monotony is avoided, and yet such work can be

handled with very little increase in cost.

The survey of geographical sections shows certain types more popular than others. In the east and northeast, there is apparently a growing popular feeling among builders and their clients for the Colonial in its various forms, expressed by "Georgian," "Early American," "Dutch Colonial." The simplicity of Colonial, in which most of the exterior ornamentation is concentrated in one or two spots while the mass as a whole remains simple, is desirable.

The English type of architecture executed in brick and half-timber and also in combinations of brick, stucco and stone is a close runner-up to the Colonial in the east.

In the midwest and mid-north states, the English style continues to be most popular, although here, too, Colonial receives considerable attention. The French or Norman also is well liked.

Spanish and Spanish-Mexican types of architecture still predominate in the south and southwest; but a variety of English executed largely in stucco is growing in popularity in California. A more recent development that has great possibilities is the so-called "Monterey" type of architecture, in which the principal elements of both Colonial and Spanish are united in a pleasing fashion. This type allows an interesting combination of materials, such as whitewashed brick and stucco, or brick and wide siding, that seems to have caught the public eye. An overhanging bracketed second story balcony is a characteristic feature of the "Monterey."

In certain areas of the southwest where the Aztec influence is apparent, the Spanish-Mexican style of architecture is modified to harmonize with rolling plains and desert country. This is sometimes called the "Pueblo"

style, which is very suitable for such regions.

Styles moderne are being used for demonstration and show houses in several instances. Some of these are logical and pleasing, others classify as novelties, not to say freaks. The public in general does not take to them except in curiosity; and it is doubtful if this modern European style, especially the type resembling a shoe box on stilts, will ever be adopted generally by home builders in this country, or approved by our home buyers. The current newspaper talk of revolutionary mass production home building, using strange and new materials, is usually illustrated by architectural drawings in this outlandish style, but this is evidently for publicity purposes only—public acceptance still favoring strongly

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Designed and built by Ira C. Berns in Palos Verdes Estates, Calif., this house illustrates a Spanish type of good design and simple treatment that is very popular.

the traditional homey type of early American and English which for generations have pictured "home" to most of us.

There is a distinct trend everywhere toward larger use of pre-manufactured units, such as doors, windows, bookcases, trim, cupboards and other pre-cut units. This is an indication of better architectural style as such units are as a rule the result of the work of competent producers.

There is less deceit apparent in the use of materials, less attempt to disguise or misrepresent them. Wood and frame construction which continues to be most widely popular, is used frankly and simply, as are the other old standbys of brick, stucco and stone. New materials are being used without attempts to make them look like something they are not.

But no matter what style of architectural dress is adopted for the 1932 home, the interiors will be very completely supplied with accessories, appointments and items of mechanical equipment which will not only make these homes an interesting, convenient and comfortable place in which to live, but also will contribute definitely to their style and good appearance. Clean fuel heating plants, concealed radiation, air conditioning equipment, automatic refrigeration, artistic lighting, colored bathroom fixtures, convenient kitchens and dozens of other items of special equipment vie with each other for the

items of special equipment vie with each other for the attention of the home buyer. Each contributes to the desired end of achieving the really modern 1932 home.

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Emphasis on planning and design is laid by the Homeland Company of New York in the company's latest sales booklet. The public is interested when abstract theories are translated in this fashion into terms of its everyday needs, and made thoroughly

practical and definite

by such questions as



DUTCH COLONIAL

Six rooms, bath, downstairs lavatory and attached garage Exterior materials and designs are authentic, genuine reproductions of the original houses built by Dutch settlers in Northern New Jersey. Pleasing combinations of brick and shingle or red stone, stucco and shingle.



**ENGLISH** 

Six or seven rooms, two baths, downstairs lavatory, attached one or two-car garage. Houses of this design, with rich exteriors in textures of rough brick, rustic oak siding and stucco, are among the most famous examples of architecture in rural England. These houses are available on Avenue corners or park frontages.



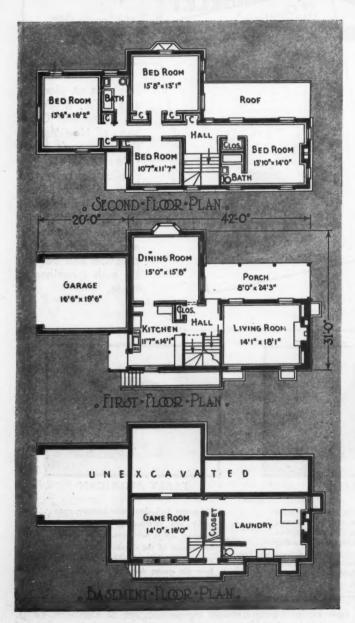
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EARLY AMERICAN

Six rooms, bath, downstairs lavatory, open porch and attached garage. Authentic Colonial design with exterior in shingle reminiscent of the dignified simplicity of some trim old New England village. Note how the quaint dormers break the roof line with pleasing effect.

These three popular styles of architecture are featured in a new series being offered by developers of Radburn, N. J. Authentic design is again emphasized. Houses are sold for \$10,800 with only 10 per cent down.





Typical Floor Plan, Detached Types.

# SKILLFUL PLANNING a chieves LOW UNIT COSTS

HE charm and economy of group housing is being more and more recognized. Outstanding examples of residential communities of this type exist in a few cities and they have met with popular acceptance.

It is likely that the economy of construction of group housing, its easy adaptation for striking landscape and interior court effects, and the quaint charm of its varied, yet unified group design, will recommend it to residential builders and community developers as one of the best

types for the new residential period.

One of the most recent outstanding achievements of this type is that of C. K. Wells, Jr., Baltimore builder, at Middleton Court. It consists of twelve detached and semi-detached homes, designed in Charleston Colonial style, commodiously planned inside and well constructed of brick, painted with weather resisting white cement paint and capped by slate roofs. The group has been attractively laid out around a central garden court. It is reported that these homes have made a strong appeal among families seeking a first-class environment and able to carry homes that are priced at \$14,250 to \$17,750. Eight of them were sold in ten weeks.

Skillfull planning made it possible for the builder to reduce his unit costs while at the same time maintaining

a high quality residential appearance.

The court was laid out on a plot of ground measuring roughly 230 by 300 feet. Twelve houses were erected on this site, two detached and the others semi-detached. The layout was planned to give as much free space as possible.

The detached houses have one-story porches, four bedrooms and two baths. The semi-detached have two-

story porches, three bedrooms and two baths. Each house has a clubroom in basement and is provided with a two-car garage. Homes are equipped with ample closet space. Bathrooms are tiled and equipped with every convenience. Heat is supplied through concealed radiators by a two-pipe vapor system.

Year around comfort and economy are further insured by the thorough insulation of walls. Insulation is also used on ceilings and floors over garages. Each house is equipped with red oak hardwood floors throughout and there is an open fireplace in each living room. All exterior millwork is cypress. The doors are of simple Colonial design. Metal weatherstripping and copper screens are used. Plumbing fixtures are of high grade vitreous china, enamelware and brass.

Rooms are unusually large, airy and well-lighted. Each home has a living-room fireplace and an attractive bay in the far end of the living room.

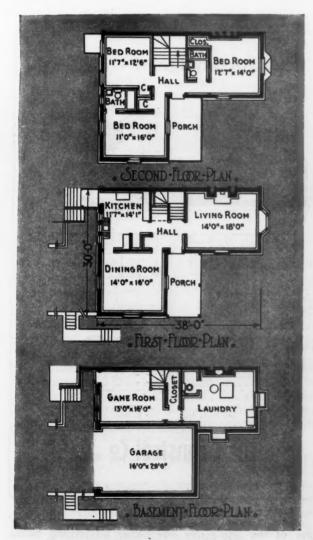
The provision of a comfortable basement room is

The provision of a comfortable basement room is made possible through the use of a gas-fired boiler. This extra room is a popular feature. It is not costly to fit up—linoleum makes an ideal floor material and wood paneling produces an attractive effect.

The semi-detached houses have two-story porches, providing additional room for outdoor living in the summertime. Large maple trees have been planted around the homes. Variations in design between units add materially to the attractiveness and desirability of this well conceived community development.



Rooms Are Unusually Large and Airy. Note the concealed radiators, charming fireplace, well chosen electrical fixtures.



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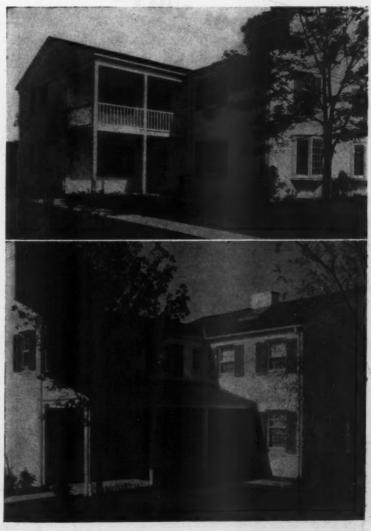
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Harmonious proportions, authentic Charleston Colonial architecture and efficient floor plans are features of Middleton Court homes. The porch is especially attractive. This type of group design lends privacy to each without sacrificing charm.

### WHY they did it

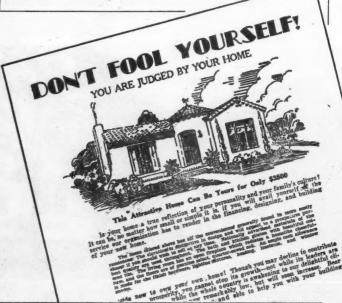
Building permits were falling off; the building outlook was bad. People said the community was overbuilt, that money could not be obtained for financing homes

### WHAT they did

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By C. A. DENNSTEDT

Manager of advertising and selling, The Dennstedt Co. homebuilders of San Diego, California

HEN one compares the small amount of money spent each year in advertising by contractors and builders and the millions invested annually in homes and business buildings, the percentage is small. The building industry could be increased at least thirty to forty per cent if a small amount of each builder's profit was spent in proper advertising.

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for the last four years. During the same period of time the building permits decreased about 24 per cent.

Our firm has in the past tried radio, magazine, direct mail, personal solicitation and newspaper advertising, and after giving each different kind credit for the inquiries received, our records disclose that newspaper display advertising, for the amount of money spent, produced the best results. We have had inquiries from practically every state in the Union.

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I would like to see a display ad in the newspapers by every contractor or builder, for I know the results would help the whole industry. Don't put in an ad once and expect immediate results, as the only fair way is to advertise at regular intervals. If you follow this method you will not be disappointed.

To bring back prosperity and relieve unemployment each contractor and builder should have for his motto, "Early to bed, early to rise, work like hell and advertise."



### Consider These 1932 Sales Methods

#### HOME INSPECTION SERVICE

A "help for homebuilders" service in which builder offers to inspect houses and make recommendations to prevent obsolescense or disrepair. Sell the idea that to preserve value, a dwelling must be periodically examined and minor repairs taken care of. Such contacts will lead to bigger work

#### HOUSE TO HOUSE SELLING

Every employee and member of the firm to spend at least one-half of each day making personal calls to promote building, using arguments of reconstruction drive to "put idle money back into circulation"

### CO-OPERATIVE COMMUNITY DRIVE

Organize or take part in a "Spend for the Home in 1932" campaign to arouse public interest in home building and improvement. See March American Builder and Building Age, page 26, for complete description of how such a drive may be successfully carried out

### MANUFACTURER AND DEALER HELPS

Many large manufacturers of building materials and equipment are offering planning, financing and selling helps for builders and dealers. Get in touch with your local representatives or write American Builder and Building Age

#### NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

Persistent advertising such as reported on this page by Dennstedt Co., accompanied by news articles and publicity

#### DIRECT BY MAIL SELLING

Plan a series of short, plain-talk letters to rent payers covering subjects such as (1) build now while costs are low (2) new home designs (3) new home equipment (4) how building moves idle dollars (5) new inspection service (6) definite modernizing suggestions (7) a financial set up for one of your houses showing how rent pays for the home

#### RADIO

Twice a week short programs interspersing music and brief talks on home building helps, to be broadcast from low cost local stations

#### OTHER SELLING HELPS

Model homes, essay contests on home ownership, best house plan contests, photo contest, etc. Capitalize on the current federal, state and local drives to bring out idle dollars by starting a strong selling program. Work with local dealers, architects, realtors and others but remember that the builder is the ONE man fully qualified to do creative, successful selling of homes

# Financing the 1932 Home

How some builders are answering the question "Where Can I Get the Money to Build?"

N some sections of the country, home builders have been able to secure first mortgage money from insurance companies or banks for 50 per cent to 60 per cent of the appraised value of jobs. These lucky builders are usually men of first-class reputation with projects of unusual merit, well-located, and usually with some extra feature of construction or value by which the lender has been prevailed upon to make the loan. Where first mortgage money is available in reasonable amounts, second mortgage money often becomes the most trouble-

some problem of the financial situation.

To overcome this difficulty, one leading builder in an Eastern town is endeavoring to organize a local home mortgage company composed of local business men interested in building construction, including lumber and building material dealers, mason supply dealers, realtors, insurance men and builders. It is planned to have this company make loans to bridge the gap between a first mortgage loan of 60 per cent and the owner's equity of 20 per cent. All mortgages would be drawn for a threeyear period with provision for monthly payment of 2 per cent of the principal and interest at 6 per cent. Such mortgages would be purchased by the company at a discount of 10 per cent, that is, the contract price of the property at the time of sale would be increased by an amount equal to the 10 per cent discount on the second mortgage. This plan has been in successful operation for years in one city in New York State and the company has been doing effective work throughout the depression. This is one solution of the mortgage problem. One of its best features is the fact that it puts control of the situation in the hands of local building interests who understand local conditions and local

Where financial interests fail to give support to legitimate building operations, the building industry itself and local building leaders must find some way to cooperatively meet acute financing needs. In some cases, this scheme is being successfully applied to second mortgage needs and where first mortgage financing is lacking, variations of this idea can be carefully worked out

to provide much needed money.

In those localities where it has been impossible to negotiate even first mortgages on homes through local banks and building and loan associations, only two sources of financing are open:

1 Combination of builder and building material dealer.

2 Combination of local building interests as described above.

In one city of about 300,000 inhabitants, the leading building material dealer has been successfully cooperating with builders in making construction loans after ordinary financing methods failed. Through advertising, the public is informed that loans are available. When the prospect makes inquiry, complete data is secured as to location of lot, annual income, character, and bank references. An "Application for Credit" form is filled in. If the information is satisfactory, plan books

are furnished, a builder is selected and he gives a price on the house chosen. A meeting is arranged between builder, dealer, and owner; and plans and specifications are gone over. The owner is then advised that the matter will be decided and a date is set for the next meeting. A letter of agreement is then drawn up, containing the following stipulations: (1) Agreement is made to purchase materials from the particular dealer (2) contractor's total price and sub-contract prices are fixed (3) amount of construction loan is specified (4) definite understanding is reached that the difference between amount advanced and amount of completed contract will be put into the job or guaranteed before mortgage money is advanced (5) interest payments are fixed at 6 per cent for the estimated time to complete the job from date of agreement, usually four months (6) promissory note is signed by owner and wife, and at the same time, dealer takes a mortgage note on their real estate to hold as collateral security against the promissory note until job is completed. At that time, if permanent mortgage is not placed, they pay six months' interest in advance and start monthly payment toward liquidation of the loan. Every six months, monthly payments made are applied to principal and interest on new principal for the next six months. Builder is paid from proceeds of the above notes as the work progresses. Contractor and owner agree to have all rights of lien signed off before final payment is made. Mortgages are not carried after homes have been completed but are disposed of by the building material dealer in most cases. If owner places his own mortgage on or before completion date, he receives a cash discount equivalent to 5 per cent on list of materials. The builder waives his benefit on trade discounts, amounting on the average to about 5 per cent of list. This plan has been worked successfully without loss to owners where it has proven impossible to get financial assistance from local banks.

#### Getting Money for Modernizing

Another scheme that works well for remodeling and repair work is to grant loans for a 12 months' period, or as long as 18 or 24 months. Six per cent interest is charged on the monthly balance. On a modernizing job of \$300, monthly payments amount to \$27.11 over a twelve-month period.

One local financing method that has proven effective is to organize independent financial companies, separate from the builder's or dealer's business, which permit the builder or dealer to clear a name through the company without arousing the antagonism of the prospect

in case a loan must be refused.

With a small revolving fund of \$5,000 it is often possible to finance a great deal of remodeling and repair work. One man takes in more than \$350 a month with a small fund for financing such work. After a down payment, a note is taken for the balance and 1 per cent a month is charged on the unpaid balance for small jobs

under \$1,000.

In another finance plan for remodeling, repair work, and small garage construction, the builder negotiates to make certain improvements not to exceed \$500. The builder's price, or the balance left after the down payment, is divided into eleven equal monthly payments. The builder goes to the dealer with the customer with specifications for the repair job. It is explained to the customer that 6 per cent interest will be charged on the amount of the loan on the 12th month. The builder then suggests that if the customer will pay cash for the job he will give them 5 per cent discount on his contract price. If the customer still desires credit, however, (Continued to page 78)



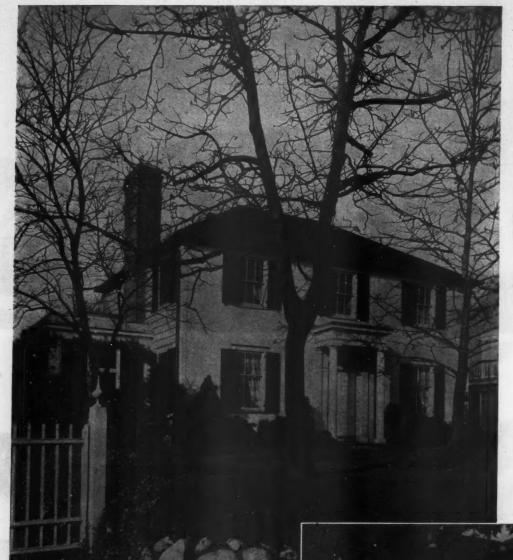




Above—a California home by Architect Paul Williams. At left—good Colonial detailing, J. D. Atchinson, architect. At right—combination of materials, C. C. Merritt, architect and builder. Photos by Mott.

### Home Designs Recommended for 1932

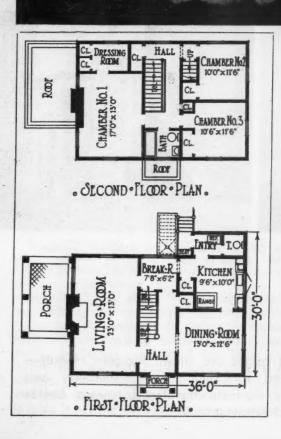
On this and following pages are shown Modern Homes—1932 Models, selected for their charm, salability and practical utility. They illustrate the trend toward better design as well as good construction.

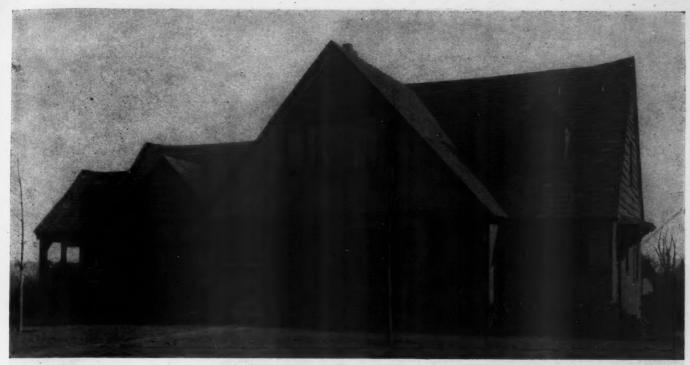


### The Best Two Story House

First Prize Winner in Contest conducted by Better Homes in America for two-story dwellings erected in the United States between 1926 and 1930. Dwight James Baum, Architect; A. G. Wheeler Building Corp., Builder.

Simplicity, beauty of proportion, and meticulous attention to detail mark this as a design of outstanding merit. The front is of shiplap siding. Exterior trim is of white pine. Volume is about 29,500 cubic feet.





John S. Wright, builder

D. Wentworth Wright, architect

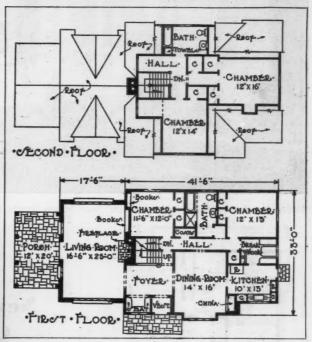
### Several Materials Combined

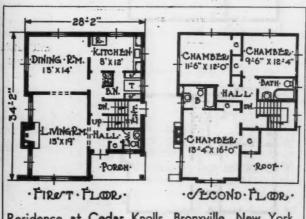
An appealing and harmonious assortment of materials such as is revealed in this English residence is all too rarely found. The nature of the site has permitted a long, low treatment of design.

The house below is suitable for narrow lot and is inexpensive to build, being easy to frame and of compact plan. Twenty houses of this type were erected in one locality by these New York builders.



Conte & Zuccaro, Inc., Builders.



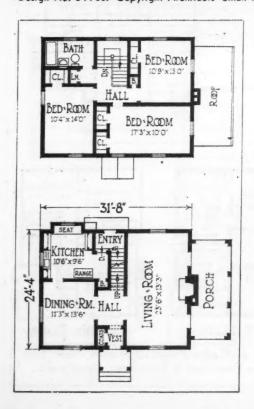


Residence at Cedar Knolls, Bronxville, New York.

Maurice Goodman & Associates, Developers.

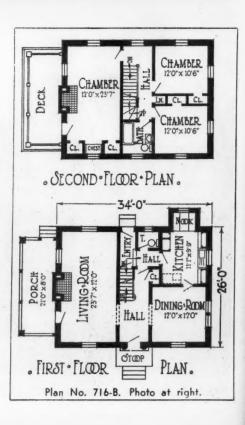


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### New England Colonial

This is a design with a practical arrangement that is inexpensive and efficient; yet it is beautiful and well proportioned. Things to recommend it are the vestibule, coat closet, fireplace, porch, dining alcove, entrance to rear basement. The vaulted stoop and graceful arched porch give distinction without extravagance.





A popular stucco bungalow built by DeLuxe Building Co. in Los Angeles.

Photo by Mott.



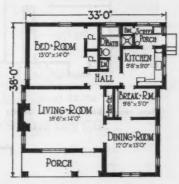
**Brick and Stucco** 



West coast bungalow of white brick, DeLuxe Building Co.



National Plan Service No. 716-B. (Plans opposite to left.)



One of the best of small Colonials carried out in brick in pleasing fashion. The wide windows, shutters, attractive door give character. Reverse floor plan at left on opposite page.

Specially Selected

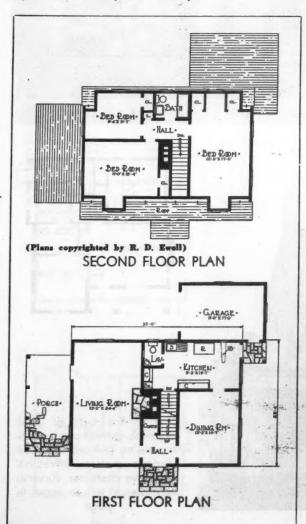
# Economy Homes for 1932

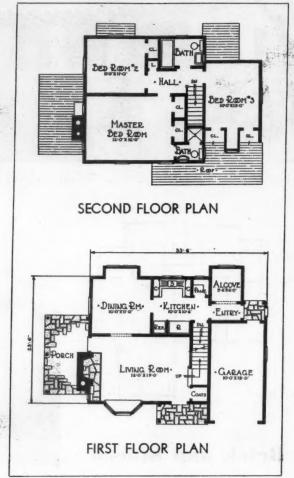


Three Bedrooms—Two Baths for \$7,000

D. WENTWORTH WRIGHT, Architect

This Colonial cottage (floor plans on right) was specially designed for an Eastern speculative builder to provide a maximum of prospect appeal at a minimum of cost. It can be built for less than \$7,000. The chimney is of white-washed brick and the bay is roofed with copper. An overhead garage door is provided. If desired, the entrance can be enclosed to provide a vestibule. The foundation is square and is inexpensive to lay.





#### Commodious Cape Cod Cottage for \$6,500

R. D. EWELL, Architect

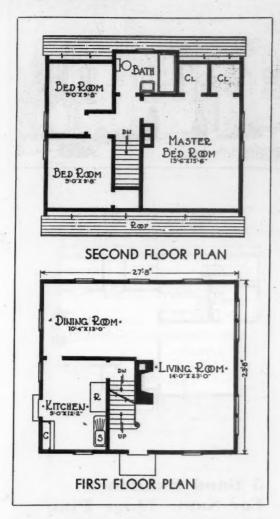
The Cape Cod design presents an excellent style for the inexpensive small home. Porch and entrance lines can be varied, if desired. The central chimney is a good feature. A large living room, downstairs lavatory, three good bedrooms and ample closet space and attached garage make this an attractive cottage.



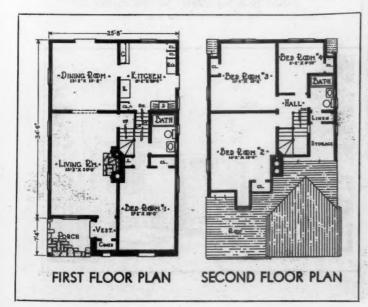
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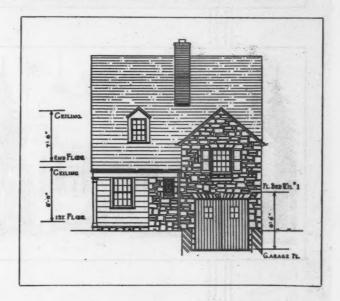


Plenty of interior space, with the utmost economy of construction, is provided in this simply framed Dutch cottage with garage in the cellar. The dining room can be partitioned off if desired. The above photo shows how attractive these little cottages can be.





\$4,500 House Has Combined Living and Dining Room
KEENE BROTHERS, Designers and Builders



Compact Design for Narrow Lot
Construction Cost About \$8,000

WILLIAM C. HALBERT, Architect

This house can easily be built on a lot no wider than 40'. The plan is unusually compact, with four bedrooms and two baths, and can be economically framed. Downstairs, a basement playroom is provided, 25' by 12'. Specifications include a 1-pipe steam system with jacketed boiler, brass pipe throughout, kitchen sink 60" x 22", bathroom shower, tile wainscote, built-in baths, oak flooring, knotty pine wall finish in dining room, and white pine finish over living room fireplace with stock mantel of special Colonial design. The garage is put in the cellar and the porch is included within the main block of the house.



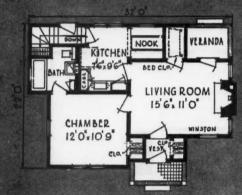




National Plan Service Design



The WINSTON



Size 32'0" x 22'0"

#### 5 Good Exteriors For Same Floor Plan

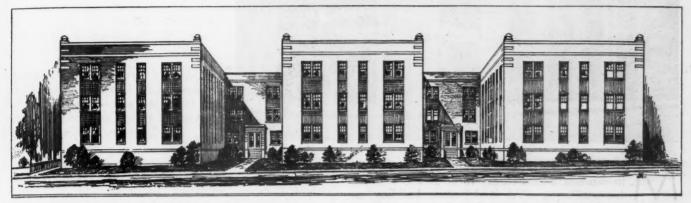
Designed around a compact plan, these exteriors are inexpensive but attractive. Spanish, English, Colonial and French types are represented. They will fit either a wide or narrow lot. For a wide lot the front door should face the street; for the narrow lot the chimney faces the street.



# A New "One Room" Apartment

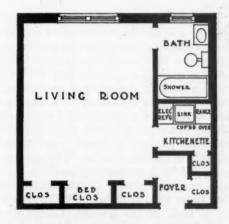
Of 179 Units, 170 Are Single Rooms

SHELTON APARTMENTS, Bridgeport, Conn.



WILLIAM F. CHATLOS, Builder and Owner

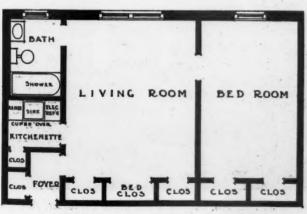
JOS. W. NORTHRUP, Architect



TYPICAL ONE-ROOM APARTMENT

The one-room apartment consists of a large well-lighted, living room which is provided with comfortable, disappearing, double-size bed. Leading off this room is a kitchenette with complete cabinet and pantry. There is a large tiled bathroom and three clothes closets. Floors are of oak.

THIS apartment was designed and constructed in order to supply what was thought to be an existing demand for less expensive living quarters, hence the unusually high percentage of single-room rentals. It was opened on January 1st and the renting proceeded faster than was anticipated. At the end of the first six weeks, more than 70 units had been rented and additional rooms were being taken at the rate of five or six per week, it was said. Monthly rentals for single rooms range from \$30 to \$36, according to location, while two-room suites rent for \$47.50. The building has a frontage of 180 feet and covers a total of 28,000 square feet of ground. The construction is of brick and terra cotta with trimmings of white marble. This apartment is said to be one of the largest of its type in New England. A row of twenty-six brick garages has been built in the rear of the apartment and more units will be added in a short time. Individual storage rooms are provided in the basement. Garbage disposal is provided by means of modern incinerators installed in the building. The total cost of the Shelton Apartments was \$350,000.



TYPICAL TWO-ROOM APARTMENT

Without such a kitchen unit as this, a convenient oneroom apartment would not be possible. In a compact space, it provides a complete kitchen cabinet, with enameled cupboards of generous size, an enameled drainboard, sink, gas range, and electric refrigerator.





# Making A

By JOHN W. FLEMING

This Store of a Public Utility Company at Olean, N. Y., illustrates Use of Modern Principles and Materials in the Creation of a Store of Modern Design. Bley & Lyman, Architects.

ODERN building materials and methods merged in modern architectural form is the formula for making a 1932 model store building, as applied by a Buffalo, New York, firm in building recently five new retail electrical homeware appliance stores and in altering sixteen leased and three systemowned stores for an electric power public utility system.

What are the modern building materials? They are such materials as aluminum, vitrolite, micarta, formica, flexwood, macotta, terrazzo, zenitherm, monel metal, opal glass, stainless steel, chrome-plated brass, structural glazed tile, black and silver coated, smooth finished exterior face brick.

The question as to how these materials are structurally used can best be answered by a trip to and through one of these modern store buildings. It is a one or two-story structure with basement. Structural framing is of steel beams, girders and columns, wall bearing. Basement span is of three bays, first and second floor spans clear, with skylights at the second floor.

Roof and floor construction are of concrete on bar joists. Roofing material is either 20-year-bonded tar and gravel or asphalt. Roofing insulation is cork, 1½ inches thick. Foundation walls are of concrete. Exterior walls are of black and silver coated, smooth finished face brick, with tile back-up.

The use of metal spandrels without brick backing, but instead utilizing insulation less than one inch thick, with the same insulating properties as a 12-inch masonry wall, effects a real structural economy in masonry work, with gains in structural efficiency and effectiveness. Spandrel panels are of black vitrolite and green marble.

The building's base is either of limestone or cut cast stone. Copings are of silver terra cotta and cornices of black and silver terra cotta. Thus the building's exterior surface presents a soft-toned yet colorful, lustrous, harmonious ensemble in grays, blacks and silvers.

Striping this surface, bringing it to glowing life, are vertical rows of lights concealed in flashed white opal glass pilasters that are framed and finned—either with chrome-plated brass or stainless steel. The black and silver terra cotta parapet is fluted to accommodate 150-watt floodlights in alternate flutes. The parapet's central section is capped by a luminous glass fixture.

The most modern exterior illumination is the use of polished stainless steel troughs lighted from a reflector trough set in front of the fixture. Lamps are offset in adjoining reflector troughs to achieve the effect of pyramided columns of light.

Show windows in this modern store are trimmed in black, framed in white metal, furred with wood, and



The Interior of a Typical Modern Store Building Reveals Beautiful Lighting Effects and Soft Color Schemes that Are Carried Out in Combination with Materials.



Display Alcoves, Built Into the Store's Interior, Are Used to Display Large Units Such as Ranges and Refrigerators and Release Valuable Floor Space for Showcases.

# Modern Store Building

paned with ¼-inch plate glass. They are at least seven feet deep to accommodate such large display units as ranges and refrigerators.

What price the modern store building? Cost considerations must necessarily also take into consideration the size of the store. In standardizing their formula for the modern store building, Bley & Lyman, the architects, divide the structures into five sizes, as follows:

Туре	Area	Height	Two Stories and Basement (Approximate Cubic Contents)
A	4200	37'-2"	156,000
В	3360	36'-8"	123,000
C	2584	36'-2"	94,000
D	1872	34'-8"	65,000
E	1224	34'-2"	42,000
D	1872	24'-2"	45,000 ) Where built one stor
E	1224	23'-8"	29,000 and Basement in keight

Based on building costs in August, 1931, the following tables record construction costs of these modern store buildings:

TRADES	A	В	C	D	E
*General Work\$	64,800	\$50,900	\$39,500	\$27,800	\$18,000
ing Work\$	6,500	\$ 5,200	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,000	\$ 3,000
Electric Work	5,500	4,900	3,800	3,600	2,480
Elevator and Doors Exterior and Interior			2,380	300	300
Light Fixtures	6,000	5,000	3,500	2,000	1,000
TOTAL SEPARATE					
CONTRACTS\$2 TOTAL ESTIMATED COST OF BUILD-	000,15	\$17,900	\$14,080	\$ 9,900	\$ 6,780
Architectural Serv-	85,800	68,800	53,580	37,700	24,780
Cost per sq. ft., two	5,148	4,128	3,214	2,262	1,486
stories and basement Cost per cu. ft., two	6.80	6.87	6.91	6.70	6.75
stories and basement Cost per sq. ft., one	.55	.56	.57	.58	.59
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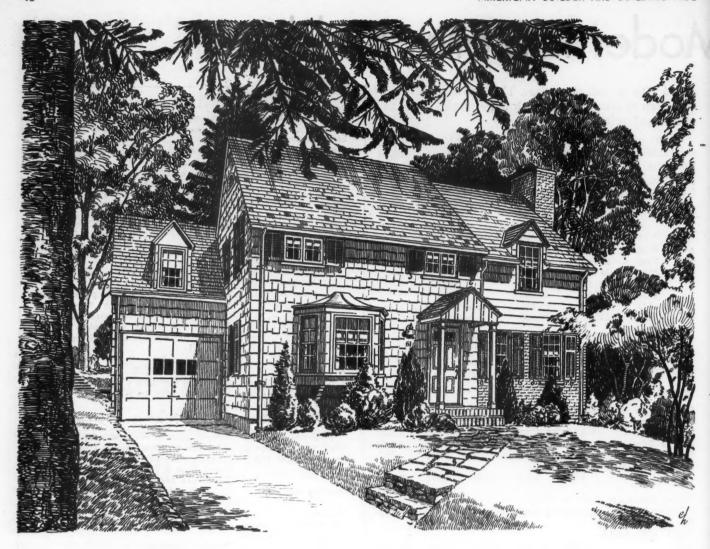
[\*TOTAL GENERAL WORK COSTS—Mason, Cut Stone, Terra Cotta, Lathing and Plastering, Structural Steel, Steel Joist, Light Iron, Roofing, Sheet Metal, Fire Doors, Carpenter, Metal Trim, Metal Windows, Parlock, Painting, Glazing, Tile, Terrazzo or Composition, Metal Office Partitions, Hardware, Metal Toilet, Vitrolite, Linoleum, Wire Partitions.]

In general, alterations to existing buildings, to permit adequate and satisfactory display of merchandise and to provide for cashier's counter, demonstration kitchen, salesmen's room, toilets for both sexes, and adequate storage facilities run from \$4,500 to \$7,500.

The Modern Store at Night Is Illuminated by Vertical Rows of Lights Concealed in Glass Pilasters Framed and Finned with Chrome-plated Brass or Stainless Steel. The terra cotta parapet is fluted to accommodate 150-watt floodlights.

	HEDULE FOR MODERN STORE
	Gray smooth finish about \$32 per M Black smooth finish about \$90 per M
Exterior trim	
base	Indiana limestone or cut cast stone
window trim	Black vitriolite
coping	"Silver terra cotta
spandrel panels	Black vitriolite and green marble
cornice	Black and silver terra cotta
light fixtures	Chrome nickel steel (KA25)
sign and map	Black glass, white letters
Hollow tile	Utility or simplex tile
Exterior foundation	
waterproofing	Durastone emulsified asphalt
Waterproofing interior	
of foundation walls.	Ironite
Floor hardener	
Main stairs	Channel iron strings, steel plate tread
	and risers, covered with terrezzo o
. 13	travertine, chrome-plated steel rail
Service stairs (iron)	Channel iron strings, steel plate treads
Joining states (mon)	cement or terrezzo-filled risers, pipe
	hand rail
Ash hoist	
	"Kalman, MacMar, G. F., or Macomba
Class Alla	Olean Tile Company's ceramic tile
Madel Action 1'4'	Sanymetal, Mills or Weiss
Plaster bond and	Janymetal, Mills or Welss
damp proofing	Parlock Dans-Tack
Motel office	onock, bens-reci
nastitions	Wright, Mills or Hyde-Murphy
Main entrance door	Aluminum by Ellison Bronze Company
Interior metal trim	Dahlstrom Metallic Door Company
interior metal frim	Metal Door & Trim Company
	Jamestown Metal Desk Company
Posting material	20-year-bonded far and gravel, or as
	1 1:
Flashings	16 average connect
Waterson Co.	10-ounce copper
Waterproofing under	
stone or terra cotta	Remett's elections
coping	LA III inches of sock
Chamber of the state of the sta	I to 1½ inches of cork
Show window setting	_Kawneer No. 77  White Zouri
Show case doors	Kawneer or Zouri brass, chrome-plated
Demonstration	
kitchen floor	6 M. M. plain color battleship linoleun
Office floors	3/16-inch Jaspe linoleum
Show window floors	Zenitherm in pattern or 6 M. M. lino leum in pattern
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### THE HOUSE OF THE MONTH

A Modern Home of 1932 With All The Old Colonial Charm

D. WENTWORTH WRIGHT, Architect

THE widespread popularity of Colonial homes this year is the result of a nationwide swing back to those styles of design that are full of native charm and which, at the same time, are economical to erect, compact in interior layout, and easily added to when family needs require expansion. The house which we present this month is a good example of the Modern Home of 1932 and represents a very careful selection from a number of different designs. This Colonial cottage was chosen because it most adequately filled all the requirements of attractiveness, faithfulness of design, convenience and compactness of interior layout, and economy of construction. The design as a whole, as well as the details, such as the bay in the front, should be most pleasing to the homeseeker of today. The interior provides just those features, and all the features, that people are looking for this spring, including a dining alcove and downstairs lavatory. The cost analysis of this home shows it to be inexpensive and economical.

WORKING DRAWINGS AND COST ESTIMATES ON FOLLOWING PAGES

## Estimating the Cost of Our "House of the Month"

By G. William Bailey, Construction Manager, City Housing Corporation, New York

LL of the following estimates include only bare costs of field labor and materials actually entering into the construction of a completed house built according to the plans of the April House of the Month. These estimates have been carefully prepared by me in all details and are based upon present labor and material prices within the suburban areas about New York City.

In all of these estimates proper allowance will have to be made to cover fees and permits, liability compensation and fire insurance, field supervision, overhead and profit to suit any particular set of conditions. Exterior grading, walks, driveways and planting have not been included. Quantities of work have been included for most items so that it will be easy for any builder or architect to compute a revised cost to suit any locality or set of conditions.

The various estimates, "A," "B," and "C" refer to detailed specifications listed and explained on the follow-

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	250 CY General Earth	. \$ 150.00	***********	\$ 95.00	***********	\$ 115.00	*************
	31 " Pier and trench	. 22.00		15.00	*************	8.00	*************
	56 " Backfilling	45.00	***************************************	*************	***************************************	18.00	***********
2.							112
	438 CF Footings	44.00	110.00	35.00	87.00	3.00	6.00
	1122 PCS 12" Blocks		202.00	93.00	285.00	100.00	200.00
			75.00			32.00	58.00
				***********	************		
	40 LF Area Coping		8.00			5.00	9.00
	36 " Steps		7.00	11.00	7.00	9.00	5.00
	800 SF Celler Floor	. 80.00	80.00	64.00	64.00	48.00	48.00
	146 " Rough Porch Slab	8.00	15.00	8.00	15.00	5.00	10.00
	11/2 CY Firestops and Hearths		3.00	5.00	3.00	3.00	2.00
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9.	51 LF Brick Borders and Steps	41.00	10.00	30.00	10.00	25.00	8.00
			30.00	15.00	28.00	15.00	22.00
	150 SF Flagstone Paving						154.00
	Brick and Stone Chimney and Fireplace		221.00	175.00	196.00	136.00	
	88 SF Brick Veneer	24.00	12.00	24.00	12.00	22.00	:10.00
4.	CARPENTRY AND MILLWORK						
	Concrete Forms		**********	125.00	***********	************	***********
	11400 FBM Framing and Grounds	291.00	354.00	285.00	282.00	175.00	222.00
	5200 FBM Sheathing		130.00	130.00	110.00	56.00	76.00
	16 SQS Stained Roof Shingles		160.00	64.00	144.00	48.00	112.00
	List of Exterior Trim		290.00	68.00	259.00	54.00	170.00
	" Sash, Door and Frames		338.00	106.00	302.00	85.00	247.00
				100.00			
	Kough Hardware		70.00		70.00		55.00
	24 SQS Stained Shingle Siding		336.00	96.00	312.00	72.00	144.00
	List of Interior Trim and Doors	220.00	509.00	186.00	435.00	151.00	382.00
	Stairwork	95.00	110.00	75.00	95.00	40.00	80.00
	1100 SF %" No. 1 Oak Flooring	99.00	99.00	77.00	77.00	77.00	77.00
	190 SF 1/8" Rift Pine Flooring	10.00	18.00	10.00	18.00		***************************************
	ELECTRIC WORK		10.00				
3.		88.00	88.00	55.00	40.00	45.00	45.00
	76 Outlets. Wiring only			2 2 1 2 2	60.00	45.00	45.00
	32 Pcs. Fixture and Hanging	24.00	168.00	20.00	60.00	15.00	35.00
6.	PLUMBING	*					
	Piping, Fixtures and Fittings	255.00	376.00	200.00	330.00	150.00	270.00
	Gas, Water and Sewer Connections	85.00	70.00	85.00	70.00	85.00	70.00
	180 LF Footing Drains		90.00	***********			
7.	HEATING		3-11-1		***************************************		
••	Boiler, Piping and Radiation	170.00	325.00	135.00	250.00	110.00	190.00
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	Oil Burner Equipment	00.00	713.00	00.00	375.00	60.00	375.00
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	Flashings, Gutters and Leaders	92.00	134.00	84.00	129.00	54.00	104.00
9.	LATHING AND PLASTERING			•			
	90 SY Scratch Coat on Wire	54.00	40.00	50.00	36.00	45.00	27.00
	530 SY 3-Coat Plaster on Wood	325.00	240.00	290.00	240.00	230.00	155.00
	300 LF Kornerite and Corner Bead	12.00	6.00	12.00	6.00	************	
10.	TILEWORK	110.00	175.00	325.00	90.00	50.00	75.00
11.	PAINTING AND DECORATING		175.00	325.00	175.00	180.00	120.00
12.	EOUIPMENT	020.00	170100	220.00	173.00	100.00	120.00
		36.00	168.00	16.00	88.00	15.00	74.00
	Screens	-			88.00	15.00	
	Weatherstripping	40.00	40.00	26.00	26.00	26.00	26.00
	Medicine Cabinets	2.00	24.00	2.00	20.00	2.00	20.00
	Built-in Ironing Board		9.00	1.00	7.00	1.00	7.00
	List of Finished Hardware	***********	150.00	************	105.00	***********	80.00
	Gas Range		50.00	600000000000000000000000000000000000000	50.00	***************************************	35.00
	Refrigerator		325.00	***************************************	275.00	Engaration - 00	275.00
	Shower Curtain		15.00	***************************************	10.00	422224444444	10.00
	Window Shades		26.00	6.00	14.00	6.00	14.00
		12.00	29.00	9.00	27.00	9.00	18.00
	Kitchen Linoleum						
	Insulation	60.00	300.00	60.00	240.00	***************************************	************
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(For detailed specifications and explanation of estimates see following page)

# Materials and Equipment of High Quality Are Specified in the April "House of the Month"

ON the preceding page is presented the complete cost analysis of the April "House of the Month." There are shown three separate estimates. Between the first and third estimates there is a wide range in cost. This is because Estimate "A" represents the best type of construction and workmanship with a high quality of materials and adequate equipment throughout; it represents the April "House of the Month" as constructed for an owner under an architect's field inspection by a first-class builder. The complete specifications on which this estimate was based are shown below.

This is how the reputable and competent building contractor builds and it is the type of construction which financial institutions must learn to know and sponsor. A builder of this type of house, who has been studying these cost analyses, recently made a comparative analysis of different types of construction on a Colonial house. All of his cubic foot costs ran around 50 cents per cubic foot. Yet right in this man's neighborhood, jerry-built construction can be erected for less that 30 cents per cubic foot. "How can they do it?" is the question he asks and it is one that the honest builder often puts to himself.

To give a comparison of jerry construction costs with those of legitimate construction, Estimate "C" is pre-

sented on the preceding page; it shows low prices but the construction behind these prices is to be avoided. From the standard specification printed below, this estimate (C) is an unjustifiable departure. Cheap materials and careless labor have been used, footings have been left out, framing lumber sizes have been reduced, bridging is eliminated, shingles are of poor quality, flooring is of sub-quality, electric outlets are inadequate, the heating system is unsatisfactory, the painting has been skimped. All along the line, from the start, the construction is fundamentally lacking in substance.

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"But," some builders will say, "there is sometimes a happy medium between the high quality, expensive job and cheap construction. It is possible to save money and still put up a decent house." This is true. Many builders will be able to make legitimate changes in the standard specifications shown below, reduce costs and still retain quality. How this is done by the reputable speculative builder is shown in Estimate "B." Quantity buying, efficient management and quantity production account for lower costs. There are some changes in specifications such as a 10" poured concrete foundation; No. 3 oak flooring selected for color; fewer electric outlets and fixtures, and a one-pipe low pressure steam system with balanced over-sized piping.

#### STANDARD SPECIFICATIONS FOR APRIL "HOUSE OF THE MONTH" (Estimate A)

EXCAVATION: Earth assumed 6'6" deep.

FOUNDATION: 12" Concrete blocks. 12" poured concrete footings. Blocks waterproofed outside with mastic trowel coat and inside with hydrolithic cement full height. Basement frames and sills pointed and caulked.

PRAMING: 4"x6" sills and corner posts. Exterior and interior 2"x4" studs, 16" centers, doubled around all openings, bridged at least once in height. 6"x8" Y.P girders. 2"x10" 1st and 2nd floor joists, 16" centers, double bridged with 1½"x3". 2"x8" second floor ceiling beams, 16" centers and bridged. 2"x8" roof rafters, 16" centers, framed to 2" ridges and collar beamed. All trim throughout grounded. 4" thick dry fill or tuck-in insulation, or board insulation.

EXTERIOR WALLS: 24" first quality red cedar shake shingles dipped in creosote stain to paint, laid irregular. Lapped waterproof paper over 1/4"x8" N.C. pine shiplap siding laid diagonally.

ROOFING: 18" first quality red cedar shingles dipped in brown creosote stain laid 4½" to weather over 1"x2" lath.

GUTTERS, LEADERS, AND FLASHINGS: Metal gutters. 16 oz. copper leaders and flashings at chimney, over louvre frames, steps, and base flashings at porches.

PLOORING: All rooms and closets %" clear No. 1 oak strip floorings laid over full %"x6" square edged N.C. pine, lining floor laid diagonally. Rosin sized paper between flooring. Kitchen floor "A" grade inlaid linoleum over %" rift pine.

EXTERIOR TRIM: Cypress or best quality clear white pine. Upward-acting type garage door.

INTERIOR FINISH: Knotty pine trim natural finish, in living room, entrance hall, dining room, and dining alcove. Doors to match. Whitewood trim in all other rooms with birch 6-panel doors stained or painted.

PLUMBING: 54" double porcelain wash tray in cellar with connections for water and drainage for washing machine. Stainless colored plumbing fixtures with chromium plated fittings. Storage gas water heater—30 gallon capacity connected to indirect heater for winter use. Shut-off valves on all fixtures and risers. Outside hose bibs.

**HEATING:** Hot water system. Oil burning boiler with oil burner—275 gallon inside tank equipment.

ELECTRIC WORK: Bx armored cable, oversized house service, nofuse circuit breakers, door bells, two radio outlets with built-in aerial.

**EXTERIOR PAINTING:** Three (3) coats of genuine lead and pure linseed oil. Shingles painted dull white—shutters, apple green.

DECORATING: Woodwork in living room, entrance hall dining room, and dining alcove finished natural and waxed. Three (3) coats oil paint and enamel finish on whitewood trim in other rooms. White coat plaster in all rooms painted 3 coats lead and oil paint stippled or wall papered. Ceilings kalsomined. Oak floors to receive 3 coats of floor wax. Cement plastered garage walls and ceiling painted.

LAVATORY: Two-toned colored faience tile floor and base. White coat plastered walls painted or papered in washable fabric.

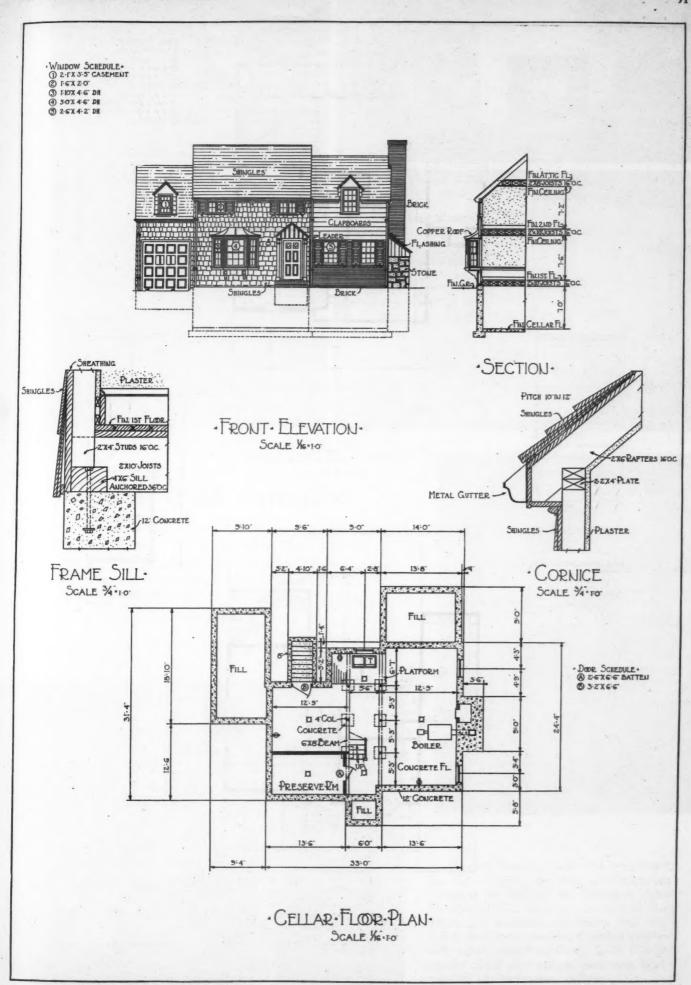
BATHROOM: Two-toned colored faience tile floor and wainscot 4'0" high—6'6" high over tub. Plastered walls over tile enameled, painted or papered in washable fabric. Ceiling enamel painted.

BASEMENT: Floor and walls and all piping painted.

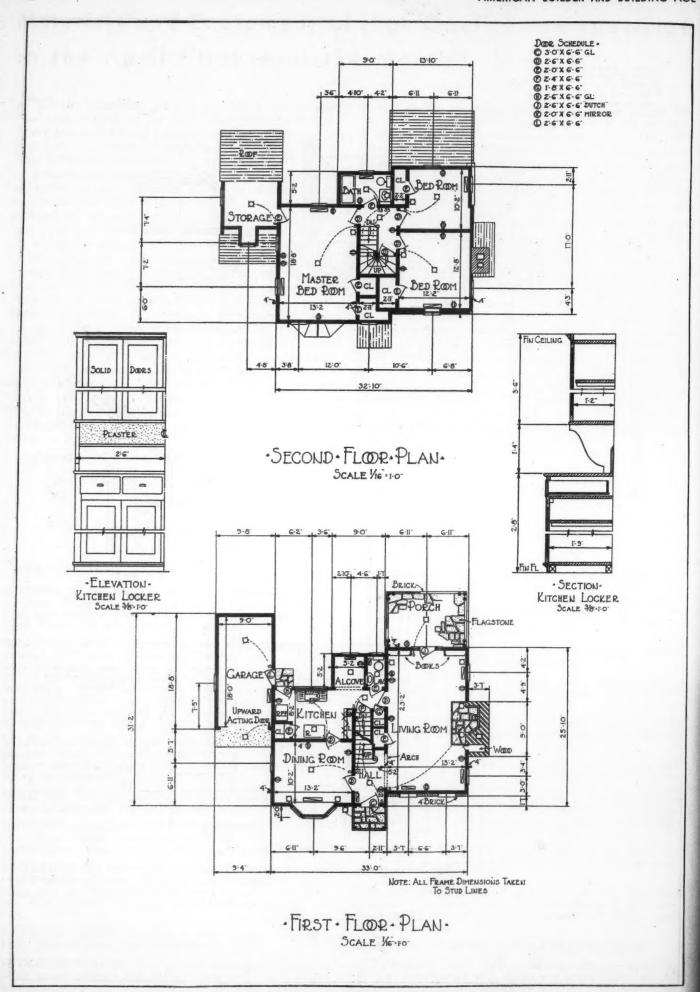
EQUIPMENT: 11/8" cypress screens, bronze copper or aluminum wire for all sash, doors and porch enclosure. All windows and doors weather-stripped. Wide brass saddles for exterior doors.

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A complete set of drawings of the House of the Month is here presented in compact form. In addition to the usual section, construction details of sill and plate are shown. Note that the scale is 1/16" to the foot.



These floor plans of the House of the Month reveal a well-planned interior. The grouping around the central hall is nicely carried out and upstairs there is included a large storage space in addition to the three bedrooms and bath.







### Model 1932 Interiors

Bookcases and fireplaces such as these form the centers of interest of houses of today. On the next three pages are other interiors that will add salability to 1932 homes.





I—Corner fireplace with tile treatment;
A. C. Leonard, builder. 2—Interesting paneling is backing for fireplace; Janss Investment Co., builders. 3—Simple fireplace and bookcase treatment, Paul Williams, architect. 4—Fine Colonial interior with careful wood detailing. 5—A friendly corner detail of fireplace, door and bookcase; C. E. McFayden, builder.



1—Inlaid linoleum, modern light, clever cupboard in a well planned kitchen. 2—Well lighted with pleasant nook. 3—Model electric kitchen, thoroughly equipped. 4—A kitchen featuring the modern insulated gas range with new type burner and heat control.

### The New Kitchens

SIZE, recommended minimum is 6'6" x 8'. Other popular sizes are 6'6" x 10'6", 7' x 12', 7' x 8'. Height of sink, 34". Drainboard at left, or on both sides of sink. Stove, table, sink to be closely grouped.

FLOORS, to be of linoleum, cork, rubber or composition supported by resilient mat. Must be quiet, durable, comfortable.

WIRING, must be thorough, including outlets at table height near refrigerator, cabinet, ironing

board, work table. Lights above sink, work table and in center of room. Outlets for clock, fan, dishwasher.

EQUIPMENT AND SPECIALTIES, should include modern gas or electric range, oven regulator, telephone, electric ran, broom closet, ironing board, incinerator, package receiver, dishwashing sink, mixing faucet, two kitchen cabinets, automatic refrigerator, breakfast nook, safety rear door, storage and vegetable bins, electric clock, concealed radiator.

### Bathrooms for 1932

SIZE, recommended minimum is 5' x 5' for single entry room, 5' x 7' for between two rooms, 4'6" x 7' for rectangular; 4' x 9' for narrowest possible arrangement. Outside window, adequate heat, colorful interior are important.

LIGHTING, should be especially good, with adjustable light fixture on either side of mirror. Several outlets at table height needed for electrical devices used in bathroom. Door switch is recommended.

EQUIPMENT AND SPECIALTIES, should include fixtures in colors, shower, special shower curtains or shower stall, medicine cabinet with mirror, towel and linen cabinet, towel bars, soap holder, paper holder, improved toilet seat, adequate water controls, tile floor and walls, hooks, swinging cabinet on back of door, concealed or recessed radiators.

TWO bathrooms are recommended for the modern home. The added sales appeal of the extra bathroom is large and usually justifies extra cost.



I—Attractive faience colored tile bathroom. 2—Compact arrangement with recessed shower, old ivory fixtures, blue tile floor. 3—Well lighted, well planned room: note outlet near cabinet. 4—Dressing table lavatory, octagonal chromium fixtures. 5—Recessed mirror with indirect lighting and convenient electric switch and plug.

# HOW TO MAKE DRY BASEMENTS

ASEMENTS of 1932 homes must be dry. The growing use of this formerly wasted space for recreational and business purposes makes dryness a

Modern homes tend to be more compact, better planned and with every inch of space usable and livable. There is no room in a modern home for a basement that, because of unsightliness or dampness, cannot be used just as any other part of the house.

The subject of dry basements has been discussed for many years, but even to this day a great many active builders neglect the obvious necessities they should prac-

tice to secure a dry basement.

Because of the excellent quality obtainable in concrete by use of modern materials and modern scientific methods, dry watertight basements are so easy to produce that is is criminal neglect for any other kind to be allowed to slip by. Monolithic concrete produces the driest and best basements at reasonable cost. The secret of success lies in making the concrete thoroughly waterproof by use of waterproofed cement or good standard portland cement to which an integral waterproofing compound has been added.

Integral waterproofing compounds in the form of powder or paste are easy to secure, reasonable in cost and easy to use. They are mixed, in proper proportion recommended by the manufacturers, with standard portland cement on the job, and they produce a concrete that is thoroughly impervious to water.

It is now possible to secure also a highly satisfactory waterproofed portland cement into which the proper amount of integral waterproofing compound has been ground at the mill. This is especially good as mixing of the powder at the mill insures accuracy and proper distribution. It also eliminates one extra mixing operation on the job.

A good basement must start out with a satisfactory concrete footing. Where the footing is placed on soft or uneven subsoil, it may settle unless properly reinforced and produce cracks in the basement wall. An adequate footing, adequately strengthened with reinforcing rods, is therefore recommended as the first step

in securing a dry basement.

Good concrete is of course the next important essential. Waterproofed cement or standard portland cement with waterproofing compound added is handled with the aggregate the same as any other portland cement. Each batch must be mixed a minimum of 11/2 minutes, but other than this, there is no difference whatever in mixing. The waterproofing agent in cement builds up within the concrete a water-repellant force that is greater than the force of capillary attraction and makes absorption of water an impossibility. Thus, if good concrete properly placed, containing a well known, tested waterproofing agent, is used a dry basement is a certainty.



A good standard mix for residential basements is 1 part of waterproofed cement to 2 of clean, hard sand and 4 parts of coarse aggregate. Just enough water should be used in mixing to obtain a plastic, workable consistency which can be economically placed. An excess of water should be avoided.

Concrete should be thoroughly spaded into place well around reinforcing steel and against the forms, so as to secure maximum density by forcing out air and breaking up water and stone pockets, preventing honey-

combed places.

Where two-course basement floors are to be used the slab should be thick enough and sufficiently reinforced to resist the upward pressure of any water that may gather under the floors. Concrete should be no leaner than a 1:2:4 proportion, mixed with a minimum amount of water and properly placed upon a well tamped cinder or rock fill which has been saturated before the concrete is poured.

Whether the 1-inch or 2-inch finished topping of a two-course floor should be waterproofed will depend upon the use the floor will have. Oftentimes it is

sufficient to waterproof only the slab.

Richer mixes should be used where greater strength is required or where the exposure to water is quite severe such as sea water work, swimming pools, tanks or reservoirs.

Placing of drain tiles around the outside of foundation walls to take off water is an important item and should not be neglected. However, such tiles should connect with an adequate drain that will carry the water

off, or their effectiveness is lost.

Gutters and leaders should not be placed so that they pour water during heavy rainstorms upon earth close to the basement wall. Care should be taken to see that leader drains connect to an adequate drainage system which discharges into the roadway or to a storm water drain.

How to make an old leaky cellar watertight will be told in the May Builder—The Editor.



# Inexpensive Wood Paneling Construction

By W. E. GRIFFEE

DEVELOPMENT of plywood and other new materials has greatly increased interest in paneling so that it plays an important part in the homes of 1932.

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Paneling may be applied in several ways, the most economical being directly to wood stud walls and partitions. Application over matched boards is recommended for greater insulation.

Erection of grounds and furring for a base to nail paneling to and bring wall out to line is first step.

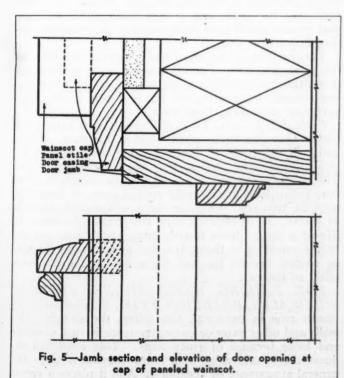
Time spent in setting the grounds so that they are in perfect alignment will be saved several times over when the stiles, rails, and mouldings are being fitted. Strips used for grounds and furring should be of 1 x 4 lumber, applied horizontally, and spaced according to the location of the rails in the paneling.

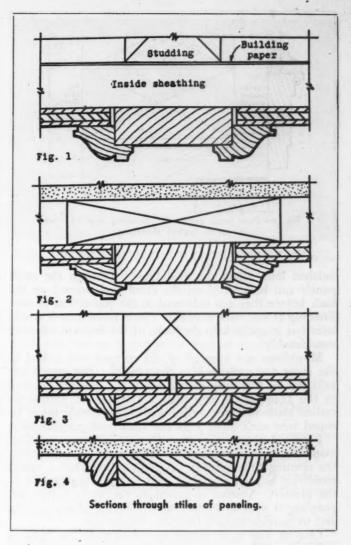
If plastering is to be used and the location and design of the paneling is determined before the room is plastered the strips can be applied directly to the studding or masonry with the plastering coming out almost flush with their surface. If the stripping is to be done over plaster the strips should be the same thickness as the door and window casings. Then the stiles of the paneling can be lapped over the outer edges of the casings, and the joints finished with or without a cove moulding

as desired. This construction is shown in Figure 5. Figure 6 shows a section, below the cap, of paneling applied over lumber sheathing.

When the strips have been nailed directly to the stud-

ding the plywood panels can be laid right up to the door and window casings, and the joints finished with the same moulding which is used on the stiles and rails of the rest of the paneling.



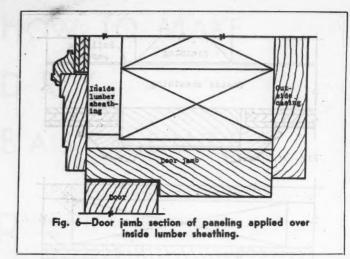


The stiles and rails may be laid out either before or after the panels are applied, as shown in Figures 1, 2 and 3. The construction shown in Figures 1 and 2 is to be preferred as it allows the panels to swell or shrink slightly without distortion. Application of stiles and rails over the paneling, as in Figure 3, is recommended only for large panels which are to be nailed directly to the studding. The omission of sheathing or plaster is poor economy except in warm climates or cheaply constructed summer homes. In such cases the panels should be laid over a good grade of building paper to protect them from moisture.

A raised moulding with a shallow lip at the point where it meets the panel is shown in Figure 1. This is particularly desirable when a paint or enamel finish is to be used as it conceals the line which may show if painted paneling shrinks and opens up slightly.

Plain butt joints between the stiles and rails will stay in place if the lumber is dry and the joints are tightly fitted, though lapped joints are better. The latter are considerably more expensive to cut and fit, however. Nailing should be done so that the nails will be covered by the mouldings. This is easy when raised mouldings like those in Figures 1 and 2 are used.

After the framing has been nailed on, the panels are cut to fit loosely in the openings. The panels should be cut about 1/8" smaller in width and height than the openings so that slight expansion of the framing or panels will not cause buckling. For the same reason it is desirable to stain and fill the panels before they are fastened in so that shrinkage will not expose un-



finished lines along the mouldings. Perhaps the stock panels can be stained on the front and primed on the back before they are delivered to the job or cut to size. Staining at that time may cost a little more than it would later but is apt to help the looks of the finished paneling considerably.

Mouldings are mitered at the corners and nailed to the stiles and rails, not to the panels. The panels are held flat so that they cannot warp but are not secured to the framing by any nails. The use of mouldings rather than moulded stiles and rails which must be coped into each other cuts the labor cost considerably.

Figure 4 shows a section through skeleton paneling made by nailing framing to the plaster and moulding the opening thus formed. A flush rather than a raised moulding is used so that it will fit the irregularities in the plaster. Canvas is pasted to the walls before the paneling is applied to conceal any future plaster cracks and to provide a good base for decorations.

One of the most important precautions to take in building paneling on the job is to see that the walls and lumber are well dried so that swelling and shrinking caused by changes in the moisture content of the lumber will not cause the joints to open up. If the paneling is being put in a new building it will pay to prime the backs of panels and strips with a heavy coat of lead and oil or, better yet, an aluminum primer made by stirring two pounds of "varnish grade" aluminum bronze powder in a gallon of gloss oil. Careful protection from excess moisture will often mean the difference between really beautiful paneling and paneling which discourages a second glance.

### Advance Made in Improved Wall Construction

NEW materials—and improvement in the uses of old—have done much to improve wall construction of residences. Among these improvements may be mentioned increased use of braced frame, of structural insulation or wall board, of water proofed concrete masonry, better stucco and brick, and the new type steel reinforced walls.

Included in the last named is one that has made considerable progress during the past year which is known as the super-wall system, based on the use of a reinforced 2" x 2" electric welded wire mesh backed with heavy paper or insulation. This combination of wire and backing is nailed directly to study as shown in the accompanying illustration. The stucco wall thus pro-

duced is very strong and permanent. The system is equally adaptable to brick veneer construction.

In this type of wall, plaster is laid on a reinforced 2 inch wire mesh backed with paper. The framework of the house is thus completely encased in a network of steel. This wall provides great structural strength, is water proof, fire and vermin proof. It provides also thorough insulation and sound deadening.

Perspective of super wall construction showing how studs are encased on both sides by reinforced steel and the space between filled with insulating material. Stucco is in disrepute in many parts of the country, especially the north, due to poor and cheap construction in the past. new reinforced wall method should give new impetus to its

### Rustproof Nails Important in Homes

MONG the outstanding new and improved nails now being offered builders are the zinc coated type, cut iron nails, aluminum nails and special non-splitting nails.

Rustproof nails, if used on the 1932 home wherever severe exposure is encountered, will reduce its upkeep cost over the years and free it from those unsightly rust streaks which give the appearance of cheapness and shoddy construction.

The quantity of rustproof nails required is small and the extra cost low. For an average seven room house it is estimated that 200 pounds will cover all the various requirements at an extra cost not to exceed \$5.00. They

save their cost many times over.

FOR APPLYING THE ROOF—A roof cannot last longer than the nails which hold it in place. Rusty nails not only destroy themselves but also rot and destroy the shingles and roofing around the nail holes. The holes enlarge and here and there a shingle is lifted over the nail head. Then the roof is gone—it leaks and must be repaired. Ordinary nails will shorten the life of a roof. But rustproof nails will greatly increase the life of a roof. Nails heavily coated with zinc are not only everlasting in themselves but preserve the shingles or roofing around the nail holes due to the chemical effect of the zinc.

FOR NAILING WOOD SIDING, SHINGLE SIDEWALLS, EXTERIOR TRIM, ETC.—On many homes now in existence, the siding, the shingle sidewalls and other exterior carpentry work is rust streaked and loose because of rusty nails. This condition reduces the re-sale value of a home because it gives the general appearance of cheapness. And it places a repair burden on the owner which may impair his financing

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result of alternate plain steel and rustproof nails.



Rusting nails destroyed column prematurely. At right: Rusty nails rot wood around them and shingles come out as they have on this roof.

plan. Rustproof nails can be used at very little extra cost for siding, shingles, mouldings, casings, metal corners, porch floors and trim, lattice work, garage doors, etc. Sash and door companies will also assemble millwork with rustproof nails and dowels upon request.

FOR NAILING METAL LATH-Cracked stucco and pebble dash exteriors are often the result of using rustable nails to apply the metal lath. Moisture soaks through the stucco in long periods of wet weather and, having no quick means of evaporating, attacks the nails and weakens them. Then the combined weight of the lath and stucco, estimated at 7 to 10 pounds per nail, is sufficient to bend or break the nails. The lath then sags and the stucco cracks. Rustproof nails, the extra large head kind, are permanent and quick to use, both for exterior and interior metal lath.

Generally speaking, rust resisting nails fall into two classifications: First, those made entirely from some rust resisting metal such as copper, zinc or aluminum, or wrought iron; Second, those made from iron or steel and then coated on the outside with some rust resisting metal such as zinc.

Solid copper and solid zinc nails require no explana-But when choosing a coated nail it is well to remember that the length of time a coated nail will resist rust depends upon the amount of coating on it, the kind of coating on it, and the character (meaning density, etc.) of the coating. It is well therefore to select a good grade having a heavy and satisfactory

The Red Cedar Shingle Bureau of Seattle, Washington, has just completed a very thorough study of coated nails and solid-metal nails. Their recommendation is:

"Numerous experiments have conclusively proven the wisdom and economy of high grade nails; and maximum service may be assured by using hotdipped zinc coated cut nails and hot-dipped zinc coated steel and copper nails and pure copper or

Rustproof nails are only one of the many ways to reduce the upkeep cost and to maintain the good appearance of the 1932 home. They have the very great advantage of doing a large amount of good at low cost.

The cut iron nail is playing an increasingly important part in building. It is especially popular for floor work.

As a cut nail is driven it cuts and depresses the fibers of the wood, automatically locking itself with the greatest possible tenacity. A cylindrical shape when driven into the wood spreads rather than cuts the fibers and makes for itself an aperture the diameter of which is the same at the top as at the bottom. Under expansion

and contraction stresses wire nails will work loose, their heads will protrude and being composed of less metal than the cut nail of the same pennyweight, they are less rigid and less apt to penetrate hard or semi-hard woods.

### Homes Need Bigger Better Equipped Garages

The 1932 home needs the best kind of a garage possible under modern construction methods and using the modern equipment available. This is one feature that in the past has been greatly neglected. The house with an adequate 2-car garage has a sales appeal and a selling value of increased extent.

Greatest improvement during the past year has been made in garage doors. The old fashioned door that took several people a long time to open, and that never could be opened after a snow storm is being replaced.

Among the requirements of these new garage doors are included: to stay in any position placed; to operate quickly and easily; not to wedge or jam in ice or snow; must fit tightly at top, sides and bottom; must not twist, pull or sag out of shape; must not occupy valuable floor space; must provide adequately wide opening; may be locked or unlocked from either side; those upward acting to be counterbalanced or weighted to move easily in all positions; must harmonize achitecturally.



A push of the button and the garage door quietly and quickly opens.

# Extensive Wiring Demanded by 1932 Electrical Homes

Latest Wiring	
C CEILING OUTLET	€2 DUPLEX OUTLET
Ocp CEILING OUTLET CHAIN PULL	SINGLE OUTLET
WALL-BRACKET	FLOOR OUTLET
RADIO OUTLET	€P OUTLET & PILOT LIGHT
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F electrical developments of the coming ten years are as rapid and revolutionary as those of the past decade, wiring requirements of houses will be greatly affected. Builders must therefore not only take care of the extensive needs of the present but plan for the future.

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Great advance in concealed, indirect and tube lighting is to be expected. A host of new types of equipment

and electrical devices are forecast.

One recent invention of much importance is the automatic circuit breaker unit intended to replace fuses and fuse plugs. It will eliminate inconvenience and a danger that has long been a menace.

A survey by the President's Conference on Home Building shows that most houses are inadequately wired. Overloading of circuits is common, as is shortage of convenience, lighting and switch outlets.

Cost data on wiring were assembled during the survey. The following average costs are suggested.

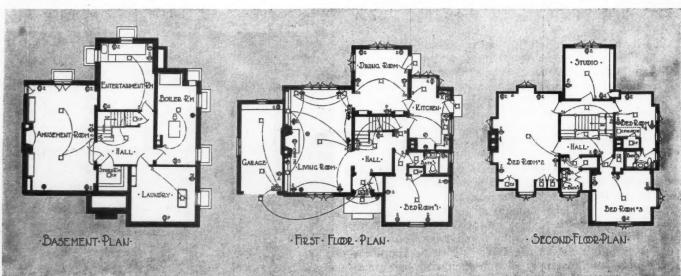
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5 service wires	3.8%	\$6.26	3.9%	\$5.13	4.5%	\$4.75

Greater advance planning, in which all possible electrical needs of the family are considered, is recommended. Suggested placing and planning of outlets follow.

Front Entrance. Two side outlets wherever architectural arrangement permits the use of two lighting-fixtures; otherwise one side or ceiling outlet. In the case of a single side outlet it is desirable to place it on the door-opening side. One single-pole switch for operating the lights. One or more convenience outlets, switch controlled. Also one outlet for an illuminated house number with its own switch control.

Entrance Hall. One ceiling outlet and one switch. If this is the only outlet in the ceiling of hall, a second switch to operate this outlet is to be placed in the second floor hall. At least one convenience outlet for 12 feet of baseboard for portable lamps, vacuum cleaner, floor polisher, etc.

Living Room. One ceiling outlet, controlled from at least one wall switch. Rooms having two important doorways more than 10 feet apart require two switches controlling the ceiling lights; one at each doorway. Unusually large rooms whose length is more than one and one-half times the width are equipped with two ceiling outlets. Wall brackets are primarily decorative unless semi-indirect or indirect lighting fixtures are to be used. Brackets usually create the most pleasing appearance when used in balanced pairs. Unless there is some very specific reason for doing so, it is usually advisable to



How a thoroughly modern electric home should be wired. Note complete basement and laundry installation, adequate number of new type two-circuit receptacles permitting individual as well as central switch lighting. Also radio plugs, electric clock hangar, fan and refrigerator outlet, garage wiring, etc.

keep wall brackets off of the center of wall spaces, for their monopoly of these positions usually interferes with the placing of furniture, pictures and hangings. It is advisable to have wall brackets collectively connected to a single wall switch. Convenience outlets should be located approximately every 12 feet apart, and to provide for radio sets, telephone tables, small tables, etc., at least one outlet should be provided in every wall space 3 feet or more in length. An outlet in the mantel is highly desirable for the electric clock, picture lighting, decorative mantel lamps or light ornaments.

Dining Room. One ceiling outlet, preferably with two circuits for multiple lighting effect fixtures. Rooms having two doorways more than 10 feet apart require switches at both doorways for controlling the central fixture. A minimum of two convenience outlets is recommended (an outlet in the floor may be considered as one of the two outlets) plus outlets for each additional wall space adaptable to the use of buffet or serving table. As in the case of the living room, wall-bracket fixtures are primarily for decorative or secondary lighting. Their use cannot be relied upon to replace the center fixtures unless the brackets selected are semi-indirect or indirect types.

Breakfast Room. One ceiling outlet placed over the center of the table operated by a single wall switch. When the breakfast room is located between two rooms and two doors occur, switches at each of these doors controlling the ceiling fixture are recommended when the doors are more than 10 feet apart. At least one convenience outlet is required. In rooms where the table is placed against the walls this outlet would be immedi-

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ately above the table and in this wall.

Kitchen. One ceiling outlet for average kitchens; long narrow kitchens require two. Kitchens having two important doorways more than 10 feet apart require wall switches at each of these doorways controlling the ceiling outlet. Where there are more than two important doorways all separated by 10 feet or more, additional switches are installed at these doors for the control of the ceiling fixture. Ceiling outlets or brackets over sink, range and other important work spaces are important for the lighting of these areas. These outlets are controlled by wall switches or pull chain switches. Convenience outlets at sink, ironing board and other work areas. These are usually placed 3 to 4 feet above the floor. Convenience outlets for refrigerator, electric clock, dishwasher, and ventilating fan are also of first importance.

Hallways and passageways require at least one ceiling outlet. The placing of outlets for the lighting of stairways at both the bottom and top ends should be borne in mind. Additional outlets for every 15 feet of length of hall or passageway should be provided. Wall switches for these outlets so that passage can be made with light ahead at all times and also so that lights behind can be turned off without retracing steps to do so are important. Doorways more than 10 feet apart should have switches located at them for the controlling of hall lights.

Bedrooms require one ceiling light controlled by one wall switch. Provide one convenience outlet for every 12 feet of baseboard and not more than 12 feet apart.

Bathrooms. One ceiling outlet plus two wall outlets, one on each side of the mirror. The wall outlets at the mirror are to be approximately 60 inches above the floor. Two wall switches at the entrance door are to be provided; one for controlling the ceiling outlet and the other the wall outlets at the mirror. Shower stalls and recessed bathtub alcoves require ceiling outlets. The



Indirect lighting above the fireplace gives charm to this all-electric home. Note also the well placed outlets.

wall switches for the control of these outlets should be outside of the shower or tub compartment. An outlet for a built-in bathroom air-heater should be considered. A convenience outlet, 3 to 4 feet above the floor and to the right of the washstand should be included, where its installation is in accord with local ordinance.

Closets in practically every case require an outlet in the ceiling or over the doorway. Exceptions are primarily those where the closet is extremely shallow. The outlet may be controlled by a pull chain switch or automatic door switch.

Basement requirements are met by placing ceiling outlets at the foot of the steps, controlled by a wall switch at the head of the steps; ceiling outlets in each enclosed space such as the coal room, fruit, storage space, etc., controlled by wall switches at the entrance doors to these spaces or by pull chain switches when the outlets are within easy reach of the door; a single outlet in the ceiling about 3 feet from the wall over the work bench. If work benches are over 6 feet long, two such outlets are recommended. Outlets for heat regulating devices, for a trouble lamp, bell ringing transformer, for oil-burning furnaces, at the work bench for the electric soldering iron or glue-pot are all points of the installation to be considered.

Laundry or laundry section requires one ceiling outlet directly over the laundry trays, also one ceiling outlet or convenience outlet for the ironer. One ceiling outlet 3 feet in front of the center of laundry trays for clothes washer. This outlet should be equipped with a pendant type receptacle hung 5½ feet from the floor. One convenience outlet on a separate circuit of No. 12B and S gauge for heavier devices.

Garage requirements consist of one ceiling outlet over hood of car and one ceiling outlet at the rear of car controlled by wall switch at garage doors. In the case of double garages, one ceiling outlet over the hood of each car and one between and at the rear of the cars. One lighting outlet on the exterior of the garage with controlling wall switch at the garage entrance door and a second controlling switch at some point in the house, usually the kitchen. One convenience outlet on the center of the rear wall, 4 feet above the floor.



# Power Equipment Plays Important Role In Cutting Construction Costs



New hand saws are light but powerful and speed work such as this to a high degree.

NE of the important recommendations of the recent President's Conference on Home Building was that contractors study costs and results of use of labor saving equipment. "Contrary to general opinion," it was reported, "portable forms, ready-mixed concrete, plaster mixers, power drills, paint spraying equipment, etc., are used comparatively little."

This was unfortunately too true at the time but it seems hardly possible that it is a condition that can continue into the future. To compete in the building market of 1932, extensive use of cost cutting, labor saving ma-

chinery cannot be avoided.

Recent improvements and developments in contractor's equipment have been extensive. Many new models of electric saws, sanders, drills, paint sprays and earth handling and hauling equipment have been announced.

There is a tendency toward fewer moving or breakable parts, greater ruggedness and strength, improved efficiency, speed, and, of high importance, lower costs.

Greatest improvements are shown in hand, table and portable saws, light weight sanding machines, and motor trucks. Some other new developments include electric hole cutters, or hole saws; complete compact home workshops that make the builder able to extend his activities during winter; lines of "unbreakable" hand tools, improved material lifts.

New combination power tools which are light and powerful and may be put to a variety of purposes with different attachments are important.

Interviews with builders who use or have used power



At left—advance in excavating and earth hauling equipment has been great. At right—using a hand power saw to cut tile quickly and accurately.

equipment are illuminating. A New Jersey contractor moved 185 yards of dirt per day at an average cost of 26 cents. A Chicago builder reports a saving of \$68 per day through using an electric saw; he also used an electric plane which permitted fitting and hanging 18 doors in 8 hours. By using an electric mortiser he cut 48 lock mortises in three hours, or a saving of 64 cents per lock. Another builder who put up 12 houses and four factories in a year estimated his saving through use of a power saw at \$2,000. Such figures as these merely re-emphasize the fact that savings can be achieved.

A field in which great technical progress has been made and which offers unexplored opportunities is that of sanding equipment. Probably no branch of craftsman's work is as little developed and encouraged as that most important one—the resurfacing and refinishing of old floors. An educational program to develop this field is needed. It is suggested that to further this business a more extensive rental service be built up by painters, paint dealers, lumber dealers and professional floor surface companies. The new machines, being light enough to make transportation easy, favor this development.

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Notching joists for conduits with an electric hand saw.



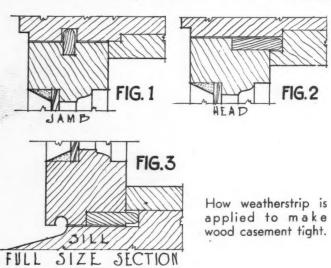
Above—electric drills and hammers are constantly useful. At left—how one contractor cuts costs with a tractor.

### PRACTICAL JOB POINTERS

A reader's exchange of tested ideas and methods, taken from their own building experience. Two dollars will be paid for each contribution published in this department.

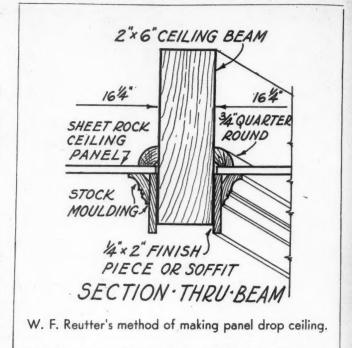
#### Makes a tight window

HARDWOOD weatherstrip which has proven very effective in making wood casement windows weathertight is detailed herewith. It is set into the sash so as to touch the back of a plow in the frame, the plow being enough wider than the strip so as to provide space on each side in which air can circulate. Wind-driven rain will not penetrate past this strip because the moving air which gets to the space around it is caused to whirl backwards. The hinged side of the sash should have the strip set in the center of the sash as shown in Figure 1. The other three sides should be made as shown in Figures 2 and 3. Application of the weatherstrip to a new narrow-stile type of sash with dove-tailed corner construction developed by the millwork specialists of the West Coast Lumbermen's Association is shown.—S. H. Evans, 404 E. Howell, Seattle, Wash.



#### Panel drop ceiling for attic

HEN one desires to have an extra room or two in the attic and has not sufficient head room to allow an 8 ft. ceiling without breaking into the wall surface, a good suggestion is to place beams below the tie beams, and at even or regular intervals. Place 2" by 4" beams (on spans less than 8'-0" or 2"x6" on spans 8'-0" to 10 ft.) endwise, so that the bottom will be the underside of the ceiling beam. Place each beam exactly 161/4" apart or between beams, so that the ceiling panels, (which are made of wall board) may be cut from a 48 inch unit. Cutting it into 3 equal parts, you will have each piece 16 inches by 8 ft. long. Nail the moulding, forming the panel at the bottom edge of the ceiling beam, so as to form the under side of the panel, then drop the 16" panel into place. It will be supported by the moulding as shown in illustration. The same operation is done for each panel and when complete the ceiling will have a series of panels 16" wide and 8 ft. or 9 ft. long. There are many pleasing effects which may be had by using different types of mouldings. A good moulding to use is one having a fillet then an ogee. If a soffit effect is desired, then nail a strip of wood 1/4 inch thick and 2 inches wide directly on the ceiling beam and then apply the moulding.—W. F. REUTTER, 524 Kipp, Teaneck, N. J.



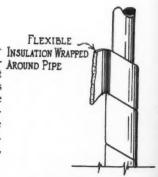
#### Handy nail pocket

WHERE a worker must assume a bending position as when nailing flooring, a 2" by 3" space turned up on the trouser leg provides a good pocket for the nails, as it keeps them within easy reach. It is advisable of course to sew the cuffs in this position permanently, and it will be found convenient to form several narrow pockets instead of two or three wide ones, so that the nails will be held vertically and thus readily can be taken out. The height of the pockets should be less than the length of the nails.

Another practical idea I have found is as follows:
If a piece of rubber matting is nailed on the top of your step ladder, it will prevent small tools from falling off. The edges of course should be doubled under and tacked to form a tray. Such a mat will also reduce the risk of falling when you are standing on top of the ladder.—John Richards, 1318 First Ave., South, Payette, Idaho.

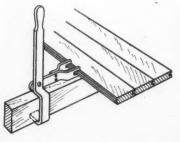
#### Quiet soil pipes

RDINARY flexible insulation wrapped around bathroom soil pipes eliminates about 80 per cent of the noise. This is a very desirable and inexpensive feature when the soil pipe happens to be located in one of the living room partitions.—T. M. BARTHEL, 2324 Dime Bank Bldg., Detroit, Mich.



#### Flooring jack

OR jacking flooring into place while nailing it, the simple device that I have sketched here is good. It is not hard to make but if one is unable to do so, have a local blacksmith make you one. Just clip the sketch out and take it to him. We find it indispensable in handling slightly curved flooring.—C. H. Willey, Penacook, N. M.

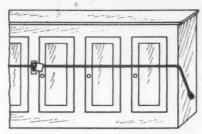


This simple jack gives tight

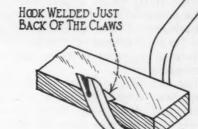
#### From a carpenter's wife

AM a carpenter's daughter; also a carpenter's wife, and I am sending an idea I have used for years. Simply sew on two buttons, good and strong, to the carpenter's apron. To these attach the straps from an old pair of suspenders. This makes a really strong place for the hammer to go and it will outlast the apron. Perhaps bachelor readers can get their sweethearts to do this for them.—Celina Gardner, Stony Creek, N. Y.





At left — a homemade hammer holder.

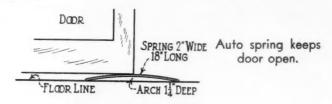


Hook improves bar's usefulness.

#### Simple aid in lock-setting

THAT necessity is the mother of invention, seems to prove itself in the discovery that a useful and inexpensive tool may be made from an automobile spring. Take a thin leaf, 18 inches long 2 inches wide, with an arch of 1½ inches. Square and thin it at the end. To hold the door steady while setting a lock, place the spring on the floor beside the door. With the weight of the foot, flatten the spring and pull the door over it. When the spring is released, it holds the door fast while the work is being done.

This tool is very helpful in lifting mouldings of all kinds. They never split when so removed. It is also a help in tearing off old wooden shingles.—Myron Flintjer, Leavenworth, Kansas.



#### Form for concrete tank

METHOD of making a form that can be removed easily is shown at the right. The corner studs should be nailed with six penny finishing nails, and the end sections of the form should not be nailed to the corner studs at all. The end sections can be held in place by the interior bracing. The side sections are to be made with a vertical strip one-quarter inch wider than the thickness of the end sections, and tacked to the corner stud (but not to the end section) with just enough small nails to keep it in place. After the form is set up and thoroughly braced, it is ready for concreting.

To remove the form, first pry the corner studs loose and take them out. Then, at the corners marked "A" in the sketch, gently pull the side section inward. It will slip away from the corner strip without much trouble, and is lifted out. After removing the side sections, the end sections are removed in the same manner, by pulling them loose first at the "A" corners. The corner strips are then lifted out and the job is done. The forms are not damaged, and may be used over again if more than one structure is required.

In making a form of this kind, if an outside form is required, it is well to take care to space the studs on the outside form so they will come directly opposite the studs of the inside form, as shown in the sketch. The studs should be allowed to project above the top by at least six inches, so the outside and inside forms can be tied together by strips of wood nailed across near the top.—H. N. ROWLAND, Parkerford, Pa.

#### One lock clothes cabinet

Handy hook

AM sending in an idea which worked out very well for us. I had a blacksmith weld a hook just back of the claws of

the round end of my wrecking bar, which may be used to straighten headers, or hold joist while nailing. It is used in many ways. In placing the hook, the size of the curve in the

bar must be considered. For a large bar with a large curve,

the hook should set farther back from claws. The hook may

be 36 in. deep and as wide as the bar will permit.-August

JURGENSEN, Zwingle, Iowa.

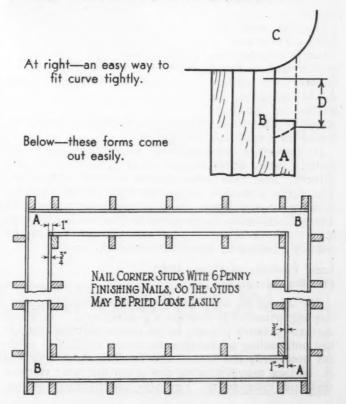
Above — locking

simplified by bar.

NSTEAD of locking each locker in a clothes cabinet, our firm locks all six to each cabinet with a single lock. This does away with individual keys that are so easily lost. As shown in the illustration, a steel bar is bent and swivelled on an eyebolt at each end. A hasp is placed in the center and when the bar is lifted a padlock locks the whole cabinet.— H. Moore, Hamilton, Ont.

#### To fit a curve

N FITTING flooring to the curve of a bathtub or of a rounded stair riser, a perfect fit may easily be obtained by the following method. To fit board A to curve C: Lay the board several inches away from the curve and engage groove of A with tongue of B. Set compass at any convenient distance D, then scribe line as shown on A. Be careful to hold the compass always in the same plane as the line of the flooring, i. e. both contact points of the compass move simultaneously.—RICHARD B. Fox, Mt. Pleasant, Penna.



# **Profits** in Locally Produced Units

Conditions Today Favor Use of Masonry Units Manufactured Locally -Larger Markets Seen

By W. E. DUNN, Veteran Concrete Products Man.

N the thirty years I have been actively engaged in the manufacture of concrete products and production machinery, I have seen no time so favorable as right now for local enterprise to organize itself for the manufacture of masonry units to supply local building re-

The community drives for increasing local employment have strengthened the sentiment for trading at home and for using home produced commodities. Lower costs are now more interesting than in the recent boom times, so that the substantial saving in freight and haulage effected by the local production of heavy units is a great advantage. And, finally, the trend toward permanent and firesafe construction has greatly widened the market for the output of the local products plant.

Many, even among experienced build-ers, fail to realize the variety and the amount of concrete products that can be utilized in the construction and adornment of the modern home. Recently I checked over the fairly good sized job pictured in the accompanying photograph, and was myself surprised

I have listed the items; they total \$2,-202 delivered to the site! Their local production gave employment to ten local men for more than a month!

In line with the many community drives to increase local employment, no doubt builders and dealers will be considering the starting of products

plants in places that in the past have had to depend on

out-of-town materials, shipped in.

In starting a local industry, the essentials are low material cost, suitable local labor, and efficient machinery. All these are available almost everywhere. The primary market is the territory within trucking distance of the plant. Local manufacturing permits direct distribution from yard to job quickly. Large stocks are unnecessary because production can be quickly adjusted to supply any demand.

#### Local Producer of Heavy Units Has Big Advantage

My advice to any local group considering presentday opportunities is to select a product with a sufficient market-a heavy product in the mason material line. It has outstanding advantages, because a shipped-in product necessarily has freight and handling costs added to it. In local manufacturing this is not the case; you can undersell competition. You also manufacture for less

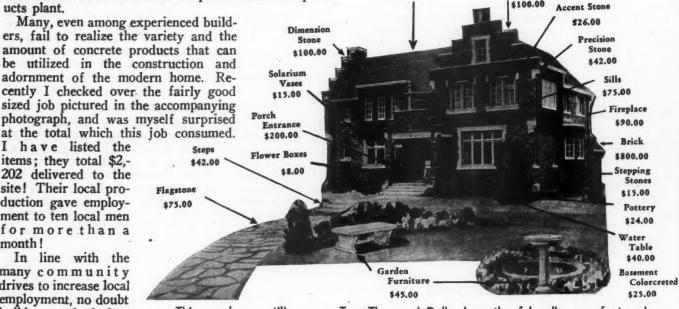
in a small plant—less overhead and contingent expenses -as compared to a big factory. You are able to close all the gaps, as compared to the manufacturer working at a distance.

The perfecting of machinery for making building commodities places the local manufacturer on the same basis as the big producer having a large factory. Moreover, the maintenance of standard quality in his product is under his personal supervision.

The local manufacturing of building commodities will be welcomed by more individuals if they are assured of greater protection among themselves. Equipment

Fireplace Chimney

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This one house utilizes over Two Thousand Dollars' worth of locally manufactured concrete products.

manufacturers should provide an arrangement whereby the respective local plants are given protection against the invasion of a competitive manufacturer making the same product. This can nicely be arranged by allotting certain territorial zones where the commodity manufacturer operates. It would mean an outstanding boom to such local manufacturer.

Some may have the mistaken idea that expensive buildings, large space, etc., are necessary to start a local enterprise. I can name many, many plants, now industries of prominence, that started making building commodities locally, having only such facilities as happened to be on their premises. They expanded from earnings. On the other hand, this field of activity is now of such a nature that more pretentious installations of equipment are justified, together with bigger housing facil-

There is a worth while opportunity for the ambitious man or group of men in every locality in local manufacturing.

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# NEWS — building activities of the month

#### Home Loan Bank Bill Making Progress

PROSPECTS for the passage of the home loan mortgage bank bill have revived recently as the result of pressure from the Administration after a period of inaction in Congress which had seemed to forecast a triumph for

the opposition.

As reported in last month's AMERI-CAN BUILDER AND BUILDING AGE, a subcommittee of the Senate committee on banking and currency had completed hearings on the bill in February and had taken no action toward a report to the full committee, while the House committee had not yet taken up consideration on the bill. But on March ninth, Secretary Lamont held an executive conference with the Senate sub-committee, at which he presented evidence as to the need for the bill, after which Senator Watson, chairman of the sub-committee, stated to the press that the sub-committee was "going to bring out some kind of a home loan bank bill." Later it was announced that a sub-committee of the House banking committee would conduct independent hearings on the bill.

#### 2,000 Communities Need Housing

Further impetus was given on March 12 when Representative Steagall and the ranking members of the House banking and currency committee of both parties conferred with the president at the White House. The president called to the attention of the members a report just compiled by the department of commerce showing 2,000 communities in need of additional housing, which would benefit by the enactment of the proposed legislation. At the same time the president said, thousands of home owners who have mortgages on their homes will be saved from foreclosures if aided promptly.

With the statement "every day's delay in the passage of the home loan bank bill means additional homes lost to their owners", proponents of the bill closed their case March 21 at the

House hearing.

Further arguments were presented to show value of the bill. It would stop growing foreclosures, stop rising interest rates for home financing funds. It would check demoralization of home values which continues now because, due to lack of refinancing, homes are offered for sale at first mortgage values.

L. T. Stevenson, President of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, listed permanent service which would be rendered by the home loan banks. They would:

(1) Bring better distribution for home financing funds.

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(2) Create confidence in home financing institutions, thus encourage deposits.

(3) Stabilize these institutions and prevent recurring emergencies.

(4) Simplify problem of junior financing by establishing sound basis of first mortgage loans.

New Wage Scale

THE Building Trades Employers Association of Westchester County has published a revised wage scale on which the Association has voted to sign agreements to commence March 15th and to run until December 31st, 1933. The scale is as follows:

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#### To Make New Window Device

THE Heintz Manufacturing Company of Philadelphia has announced start of production of a window converter formerly made in Detroit under the name Car-Kra Windoware. The device attaches to new or old double hung windows, providing a tight window that operates up and down smoothly on metal slides and that tilts inward at a touch.

An efficient weatherstrip is included in the installation.

Independent Lock Expands
ANNOUNCEMENT has been made
of the purchase by Independent
Lock company, Fitchburg, Mass., of
the Lockwood Mfg. Co. of Norwalk,
Conn. The name "Lockwood" will be
retained and full line continued.

#### Lumber Priming Shows Increase

NCREASED interest in the protection of wood so that it is delivered to the customer with proper moisture content is indicated by the growing use of aluminum paint as a primer, according to recent data issued by Aluminum Company of America.

Among the companies which are utilizing aluminum paint for various patterns of siding and ceiling are:

Brooks Scanlon Corp., Foley, Florida. C. A. Mauk Lbr. Co., Toledo, Ohio. Seattle Cedar Lbr. Mig. Co., Seattle, Wash. Stover Mig. Co., Mobile, Ala. Weyerhaeuser Forest Prod. Co., St. Paul.

Lumber firms which are employing aluminum paint for frames, sash, and other miscellaneous items include:

Anderson Frame Corp., Bayport, Minn. Central Lbr. Co., Charlotte, N. C. Deer Park Lbr. Co., Deer Park, Wash. Frederick Kaiser Co., Philadelphia. Gate City Sash & Door Co., Ft. Lauderdale,

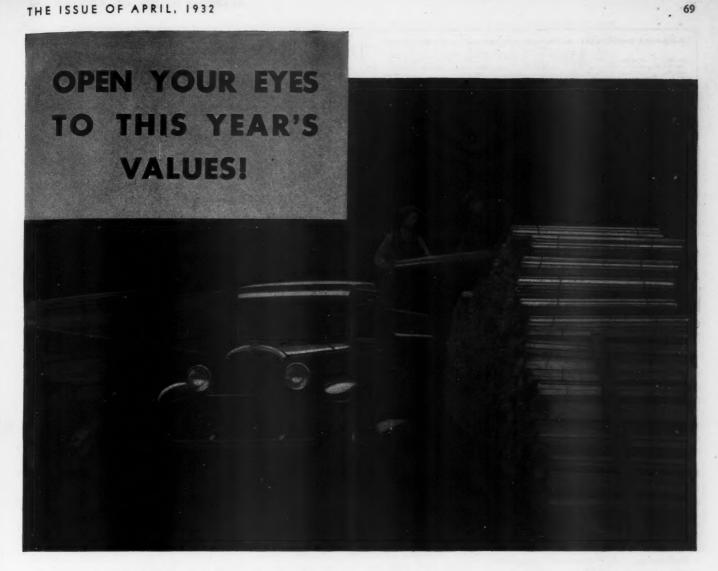
Fla.
Keystone Frame & Sash Co., Spokane, Wash.
Mahoney Lbr. Co., Jacksonville, Fla.
C. F. Mayrose Planing Mill, Terre Haute,
Ind.

nd. Moss Mfg. Co., Athens, Georgia. Walter H. Schenk Co., Chicago, Ill. Segelke & Kolhaus Co., La Crosse, Wis. Spencer Lbr. Co., Gastonia, N. C. United Sash & Door Co., Wichita, Kansas.

Originally introduced as a priming coat for siding, the use of aluminum paint is now extended to priming at the mill such items as frames, sash, flooring, trim, etc.

Protection is afforded by a film of aluminum which is opaque to light and stops passage of the harmful ultra-violet rays which cause oxidation.

If left unprotected, lumber does not retain the proper moisture content. By coating all sides with aluminum paint immediately after seasoning, change in moisture content is prevented; in effect, the aluminum film "seals" the lumber, according to the report.



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Card used by Battle Creek workers in making inspection of vacant houses. Owner is then urged to modernize according to needs shown.

#### Building Survey Stimulates Work

A N effective drive to stimulate building and modernizing is being carried on by the realty board, chamber of commerce, and building interests of Battle Creek, Michigan. First step was a thorough survey of vacant properties, conducted by teams of workers. This indicated that the city is not unduly overbuilt.

It was shown that in one section of 81 vacant houses listed more than 80 per cent were old and in extremely

poor condition.

"Most of the houses that are not rented are poorly located or run down, cheap and out of date," one of the

canvassers reported.

Following this survey inspection cards, illustrated above, were made. Owners of vacant houses were then interviewed, the property examined, and needed repairs and improvements listed on the cards.

Owners are urged to carry out recommended improvements, and as each house is reconditioned, an official card is posted on the property stating that it is in good condition and approved by the realty board.

The drive is expected to develop much new building and employment.

#### Rehabilitation of Philadelphia Slum Areas Is Planned

BUILDERS, architects and realtors of Philadelphia are discussing the rehabilitation of slum areas on a business, as well as a sociological basis, according to recent announcement from that city. Leaders who have been active in considering the matter are Joseph J. Greenberg, member of the City Planning Commission; D. Knickerbocker Boyd, fellow of the American Institute of Architects; and Thomas F. Armstrong, president of the Master Builders and Employers Association.

The construction of large modern apartment buildings of concrete, three to five floors in height, with ramps be-

tween floors, is one proposal that has been looked upon with favor. The plan is to acquire a block at a time, then erect the new structure around the perimeter of the block with a large court in the center. It is believed that such apartments could be economically constructed at present material and labor costs for about \$1.50 per square foot. With abatements of taxes for a period of years allowed by the municipality, it should be possible to rent such apartments at extremely low rentals yet be able to pay financial backers 6 per cent on their investment, according to sponsors of plan.

New Selling Company

EDUSA Products Company has been organized as a subsidiary of the Medusa Portland Cement Company and will function as the selling company for Medusa Portland Cement Paint; Medusa Floor Coating and

Primer; as well as the entire line of Rust-proof coating and technical paints manufactured by the Studebaker Chemical Company of Elyria, Ohio, for which they will be exclusive distributors. These products include Rust-oy, Aluminoy, A. W. A. Paint, and a nonpenetrating wall size for fresh plaster.

Executive and general offices of the Medusa Products Company will be located at 1002 Engineers Building, Cleveland, Ohio.

#### Westchester Home Show

HE county of Westchester, New York, will hold its second annual home show from April 27 to May 3 in the Westchester County Center building in White Plains, N. Y. The County Society of Architects will display model houses and working drawings. Materials, building products and home equipment of all kinds will be on display.

#### CURRENT CONSTRUCTION FIGURES

#### Awards Increased in February

recorded during the month of Febru-

Six territories reporting gains were the Southeastern, Chicago, Central Northwest Kansas City, New Orleans and Texas.

Total construction volume as based on contracts awarded during February continued low however, and were less than in February, 1931.

AMERICAN BUILDER AND BUILDING AGE estimates for the month, based on F. W. Dodge reports modified to include all states as well as small work of \$5,000 or less, modernizing and repairs, are as follows:

Residential buildings .....\$51,356,625 Non-residential buildings .. 39,982,470 Public works ..... 17,196,740 Public Utilities ...... 13,912,140

Total contracts awarded.\$122,437,975

Nine cities of the country showed better building prospects by register-

A gain of almost five per cent in ing building permit advances over Feb-construction awards over January was ruary, 1931 and 1930. These are reruary, 1931 and 1930. These are reported by S. W. Straus & Co. as San Francisco, Cambridge, Ft. Wayne, Washington, Biloxi, Austin, Appleton, Jacksonville, San Jose. The 25 cities reporting largest volume of permits for February are as follows:

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	San Jose, Calif	260,655	127,655
24	Yonkers, N. Y	260,525	1,795,175
	Houston, Texas Oakland, Calif	269,399	1,000,035
	Denver, Colo	292,275 290,587	1,327,767
	Jacksonville, Fla	381,235	509,500
	Appleton, Wisc	422,100	124,570
	Detroit, Mich.	427,195	2,021,060 23,930
	St. Louis, Mo	432,061	1,688,340
16.	Memphis, Tenn	580,970	248,300
15.	Austin, Texas Memphis, Tenn	636,577	524,061
14.	Long Beach, Calif	. 657,380	355,845
13.	Chicago, Ill.	799,400	7,877,000
	Biloxi, Miss	935,475	5,400
	Philadelphia, Pa	1,003,280	1,343,455
	Washington, D. C	1,015,620	5,159,315
.9.	Ft. Wayne, Ind	1,036,513	343,554
	Boston, Mass	1,045,674	2,183,609
	Cambridge, Mass	1,051,520	87,519
6.	San Francisco, Calif.	1,181,876	1,712,571
	Baltimore, Md	1,251,720	2,757,480
	Cleveland, Ohio	1,934,175	2,416,875
	Los Angeles, Calif.	1,958,266	3,670,782
	Cincinnati, Ohio	3,475,395	1,797,205
9	New York, N. Y\$	Feb., 1932 8,041,680	Feb., 1931 \$26,612,657



### Many 1932 Home Improvements Announced

New Products Give Added Sales Appeal, Better Service from Basement to Attic. For Further Data About These Items Write American Builder Information Exchange, 105 West Adams, Chicago.

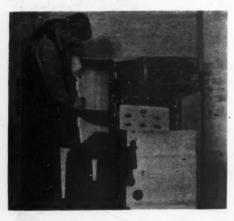
**DOOR CLOSET**—One of the most interesting of the recent products for the modern home is the new storage compartment shown at the right which fits on the back of any door. Made of steel, rigid, attractive, this door closet provides a new place for many special items. In the bathroom, in the kitchen, it is extremely handy. A buffet type provides storage for bottles, foods, etc. Closet fits any door, is  $3\frac{1}{2}$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ " deep, 71" high. It will be a welcome addition to any home, and provides a new note in convenience, neatness and efficiency.

INSULATED STOVE—Gas stoves for the modern home should be selected not on a price but on a quality basis. A fully insulated, beautifully designed and improved gas range adds a tremendous lot to the salability of the house.

A new line of gas ranges has just been announced that is the last word in quality. In the first place these stoves are things of beauty. They are heavily insulated as shown in

the accompanying illustration.

Other outstanding features include a new patented nonclog burner of aluminum alloy; a sanitary burner tray that protects against boil-overs; a clever automatic lighter that starts the burner simply by turning on the gas; smooth sanitary oven lining that is easy to keep clean; reversible broiler pan and roaster of heavy enameled ware; efficient oven heat regulator wheel which controls time and temperature—an especially popular feature with housewives.

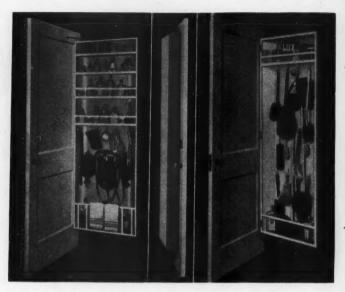


Heavy insulation built into stove a d d s t o efficiency and comfort.

**COPPER PATINA**—Considering the many uses to which copper is put in the modern home, this recent discovery will be of great interest to homebuilders as well as contractors handling larger work. The copper industry has solved Nature's mysterious process for giving copper and its alloys the permanent green coloration or patina that is so attractive in long weathered pieces.

Over a long period of time many attempts have been made to duplicate by artificial means the pleasing green patina, without success. Science has triumphed and production methods for commercial utilization of the new treatment are being rapidly developed. The patina produced by the new process is identical with that produced by natural weathering which gives charm to ancient copper roofs, bronze statuary, etc.

DOORS READY TO INSTALL—An outstanding contribution to good homes is a new, permanently finished cabinet-wood veneer door, supplied ready to install. The result



This handy door cabinet provides valuable storage space where it is most needed.

of long scientific research, this is a new door using a new principle of veneered door construction and finishing. Exceptional durability is built into it, with many plies firmly welded together under tremendous pressure. It is thus proof against swelling, shrinking, warping or twisting.

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Doors are available in a complete line of standard sizes, designs, woods, and finishes, and are unconditionally guaranteed by the manufacturer.

CLOTHES CLOSET FIXTURES—That important part of the home, the clothes closet, has received needed attention by a firm that has brought out a new line of convenience fixtures intended to meet needs of the modern wardrobe and provide for the tidiness of closets.

The clothes rack shown below is one of seven new devices including a roller bearing clothing carrier which can be pulled out of the closet into the light of the room. Included also are a clever shoe rack that provides a place for shoes to be kept off the floor; a tie rack; a trousers hanger that holds four pairs of trousers at one time and keeps them in press; a hat-holder with twin adjustable arms; and a stationary garment bracket that increases space for handling garments. Fixtures are strongly built, cadmium plated.



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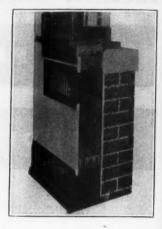
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### New and Improved Devices for Better Homes

CONCEALED RADIATOR - Radiators that are concealed, recessed, or produced in compact, good-looking form, are popular in modern homes. An interesting example of the improved, concealed type is the one shown in the accompanying illustration, which uses an elliptical copper tube in a convector form. This is a feature essential for one-pipe

This radiator can be installed anywhere in the room and may be plastered in or placed under windows, which is a popular location. The illustration shows such an installation, having front grilles, damper, and access door. It is efficient and economical, both as to original cost and upkeep.

The concealed or recessed radiator is a big space saver and a strong selling point in the modern home.





This new specialty device for windows is designed to function as both sash holder and weather stripping.

WEATHER-TIGHT WINDOWS-A simple new device that combines the functions of sash-holder and weather stripping is one of the latest specialties for windows. Its manufacturers claim that it permanently eliminates rattles, leaks, or sticking under all weather conditions.

The device consists of three brass strips, one brass parting strip, and a few spring tension screws for each side of the sash. The tension spring screws are adjusted according to the weight of the sash when installed and assure permanently perfect friction control.

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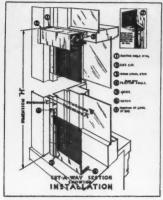
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# New Rolling Screen for Double Hung Windows

NEW screen that rolls up out of the way and out of sight when not needed has been designed to screen the lower half of double-hung windows. Installed on the outside, the screen is a great improvement over the unsightly home-made frame type of the past and is a welcome addition to the 1932 home. The screen rolls up and down like a window shade. It eliminates difficulties of removing and putting up old-type screens, painting, repairing.





Details of new screen which rolls out of sight like a window-shade. Screens lower half of double-hung windows.

Patented features make these rolling screens thoroughly insect tight. Lugs fastened in the edges of the wire cloth slide in guides that lock the wire at the sides so that there is no sagging or bagging. Screens are rigid and permanent and are guaranteed for ten years.

A floating roller eliminates dragging and wearing of wire cloth on the screen casing. A special feature permits the screens to adjust themselves to swelling or shrinking of the woodwork, insuring easy operation. The wire cloth is reinforced with triple selvages, and will out-live the ten-year guarantee.

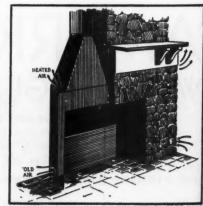
Because of its convenience, permanence, and sightliness, this type of screen should be ranked as one of the foremost improvements available for the 1932 home.

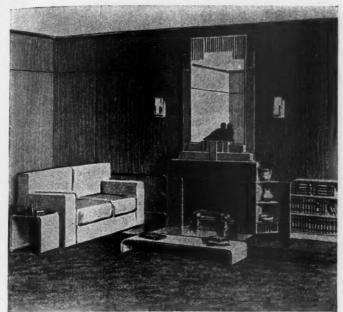
GUARANTEED FIRE-PLACE—Because the fire-place plays such an important part in the modern home it must be very good. A correctly-operating and useful fire-place can be assured by the use of a scientifically designed, metal form around which the decorative masonry is built.

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The outstanding feature of this fire-place is the method with which it circulates heat throughout the room. Heat that was previously wasted is conserved and used. Cold air is drawn from the floor, heated in the double-walled chamber surrounding the fire, and circulated out into the room.

Cold air enters double - walled heating chamber through opening at floor level, is heated and returned to room.





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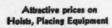


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Unusually large storage space, shelves within easy reach, and a table that folds out of sight.

### Financing the 1932 Home

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the prospect gives a note. If the cost of the job is \$300.00, down payment is \$25.00, leaving a balance of \$275.00 which is paid for in eleven monthly payments of \$25.00 each. The twelfth payment is for \$16.50 to cover interest charges at 6 per cent on \$275.00. The note is discounted by the dealer through a finance corporation.

The final answer to the problem of financing homes must be a well regulated, central mortgage banking system. Until the day when this is achieved, the local builders who can obtain first mortgage money can best arrange their second mortgage financing through local companies organized by local building interests, as described.

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Pails or dishes 12" tall will slide easily swinging faucet.

dishes. They are made of the best red brass, engineered for life-time service and finished with a heavy coating of chromium.

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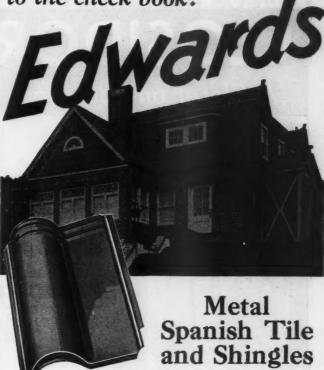
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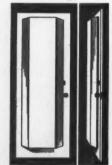
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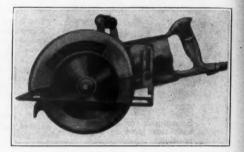
# New Equipment Saves Building Time

These new devices indicate lower costs ahead. For further data on any item write American Builder Information Exchange, 105 West Adams, Chicago

COMPACT SAW—Power tools, and especially power saws and sanders, will play an important part in cutting building costs this year. A compact new saw measuring only 20" overall is attracting much attention. Expert engineering permits use of a ½ horsepower motor developing a torque to a 9" saw blade, which will rip 12' of 12" lumber in 20 seconds, or cross-cut 2' of 2" lumber in 5 seconds.

The new saw has a cutting capacity 3" deep and is equipped with a tilting base that permits bevelling full 2" lumber at 45 degrees. It has perfect balance, which is so essential to easy handling and control. Features include die-cast aluminum frame, ball-bearings, easy adjustment, instant disposal of sawdust. Weight is only 24 lbs.

Compact new model that shows great advance in power saw design



LOW-PRICED SANDER—In answer to the growing demand for a low-priced floor sander, a prominent manufacturer has developed a simple one-moving-part machine. Probably the most interesting feature is the ingenious development of the self contained motor sanding drum. (See small illustration.) This is a very simple form of electric motor for single phase use. Yet, due to the entire absence of driving mechanism, 100 per cent of the power is available for productive work.

Operation of the sander drum is explained as follows: If you held the pulley of an ordinary motor stationary and the frame was free to move it would revolve around the armature. This is what happens in this new floor sander.

The armature carries all of the windings and is held stationary while the fields, which are of the well known squirrel cage construction and contain no windings, are built into

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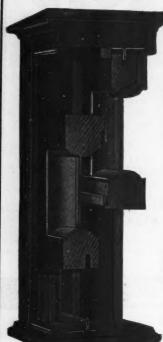
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The drum is six inches in width and seven inches in diameter. The entire machine weighs only fifty pounds, making it heavy enough to hug the floor and yet light enough to be carried very easily by one person. It operates as easily as a vacuum cleaner, making it an ideal machine for rental purposes.

LIGHT WEIGHT TAPE-RULE—This new pocket-size rule, no larger than a watch, combines the utility of a rule with the convenience of a steel tape.

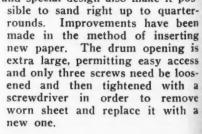
The 16" wide blade can be projected unsupported to walls or into openings like a rule. It will also accurately measure circles in odd shapes. Tape is of super-quality tempered steel, stiffened by special forming. It has dark background with markings in sharp contrast, most readable. Inches are graduated to 16ths; and zero falls at inside of solid hook, which is a very handy feature. Accurate butt end measurements can be taken from the shoulders of the hook.

The case is chromium plated, has rounded edges, and is strong and compact. The blade is manually withdrawn and automatically returned by pressing a push button. Operation is rapid and safe. Weight 3 ounces.

New tape combines good qualities of rigid rule and steel tape. Is compact and light weight.



DUSTLESS PORTABLE SANDER—A new machine is announced which will do its share to open up the increasingly great territory for sanding profits. This sander weighs only 48 pounds and is very easy to operate. The manufacturers state that it will sand from 800 to 1600 feet of floor in eight hours. Because of its light weight, easy portability and the fact that it operates from the ordinary electric outlet, it is reported to be very economical and convenient to use. Its small, compact size and special design also make it pos-





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# LETTERS from Our Readers

You are invited to write your views on any subject of interest to the building industry. 300 words should be enough!

### Condemns "Chicken Wire" Construction

St. Louis, Missouri.

To the Editor

Referring to the article in your March issue, "Demonstrating Quality Work," I know from experience over a period of fifteen years in the stucco business that the type of construction described is generally referred to as "Jerry building."

In many sections of the country where chicken wire has been used in this manner the constructions have failed, and the building departments no longer permit its use.

H. H. ROBINSON. With National Steel Fabric Co.

### Prohibited in Many Cities

Chicago, Illinois.

To the Editor:

In your March issue there is an illustrated article headed "Demonstrating Quality Work." These photographs show the use of chicken wire in stucco construction. I am surprised that a magazine with the reputation of the American Builder would publish such an article when an investigation of this type of construction will show that it is prohibited by many building ordinances throughout the country.

Even the temporary exhibition buildings that were contemplated in the east recently did not permit the use of chicken wire in stucco construction. The specifications for wire fabric definitely stated that it should be welded wire fabric.

H. M. WILSON.

### **Wants Specifications**

Lansdale, Pennsylvania.

To the Editor:

May I congratulate you on your excellent presentations of your feature "The House of the Month"?

Each issue certainly grows more in value to any builder who is interested in better home construction. Information of this kind cannot fail to be appreciated by your subscribers and the builders as a whole.

I am sure that a schedule of materials and a complete specification of them would very materially add to this

People studying these feature homes, I feel, are interested in knowing what kind of interior trim is recommended and the specifications for the paint and stain work.

In this manner they indirectly educate themselves to better standards of building.

Roy W. Schweiker, Vice President, Franklin Pottery, Inc.

### More on Labor Saving Machines

Slater, Missouri.

To the Editor:

I would like to refer to the article of E. A. Ludlam in the March issue concerning unemployment and machinery. His views as expressed in this article are by no means my views on this subject.

That many jobs have been created by labor saving machinery cannot be disputed because with machinery, the cost was not prohibitive, whereas it would have been without it. Take, for instance, the automobile. Do away with machinery, then try to produce an automobile and figure the cost of it. This would begin with the mining of the ore, and other products that go to make it, and extend to the producing of each and every piece until it would be complete. Who would be able to buy it after it was completed? Then can we not say that machinery has made possible this par-

ticular product. Take it away and you also take away the livelihood of the many that are selling these automobiles, those that are repairing them, those that keep the filling stations, those that drive the trucks and buses, those that build the highways, and many others. What an army are kept busy, because machinery made it possible that such a thing could be produced with reasonable cost.

E. E. CRUEA, Contractor and Builder.

### Educating to Better Building

St. Paul, Minnesota.

To the Editor:

We are very much interested in your March publication pertaining to the "House of the Month" and the estimates of costs. We are of the opinion that here is one way of bringing to the attention of the prospective home owner information which is really worth while and something he should have when he is considering the building or purchasing of an already built home.

We are of the opinion that this information could be put into the hands of the local newspapers to be printed on their building pages so as to impress the average buyer of a home and make him understand there is a decided difference in quality and that when he buys price and price alone he is only fooling himself. We are taking this up locally with our papers and will endeavor to have them print some information pertaining to this particular issue and information which you are giving.

Will you allow us to suggest that you continue with this kind of information, which also should get into the hands of the mortgage loan companies so as to overcome the one outstanding difficulty which the home building industry is in today—that of a fair loan with a proper basis of loan values. No doubt you are familiar that the large majority of the loan companies today are loaning on the basis of cubical content and figuring all of the values on the same cost per cubic foot. In other words, putting a premium on poor construction.

We want to congratulate you on the interest you are taking in this particular thing and know that a continuance of this kind of publication will be highly appreciated by all high class home building contractors and ultimately furnish the information so necessary for the prospective home owner.

CONRAD HAMM, Home Builder.

### Would Do Away with Sub-Contractor

Villa Park, Illinois.

To the Editor:

In order to get home building costs down where they should be to create demand, there must be a reduction in the labor cost. This can be done in two ways:

 Either by reducing the time required to complete the job, or

2. By reducing wages.

It might be possible to get more work done per day per man; but speeding up is not consistent with good construction. However, in some trades, a certain amount of work is considered a day's work, regardless of the number of hours required to do it. What must be done in order to get residence construction costs down is to eliminate as far as possible the sub-contractor. The unions must give the general contractor the right to hire any mechanic he requires to complete the job. At present there are only two or three trades which allow the general contractor to hire direct.

A great deal of money could be saved in this way, although on larger work it would probably still be advisable to em-

ploy the sub-contractors.

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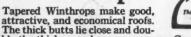
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ation work, if he knows his business, should be able to handle all of the trades. He should know what any tradesman can do in a day and also know how it should be done. Why, then, give a profit to the sub-contractor? For years the general contractor, who is usually the carpenter contractor, has been the goat for the other trades. He takes the kicks and also pays for correcting them and usually has to wait for his money long after the sub-contractors are paid.

I would also like to suggest a radical change in the unions. I would suggest a national union of all trade mechanics. In addition to this, I believe any mechanic should do anything on the job that the contractor wants done. Naturally it would not pay to attempt to make a mason out of a carpenter, or vice versa, but there are occasions when much time is lost because the mechanics are bound by their union rules to stick strictly to their own line of work. This idea is revolutionary, but such ideas are the order of the day.

ROBERT L. MCKEE,

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To the Editor:

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"When we build houses as we build autos," is the opening phrase of a popular curbstone speech, usually delivered by a man who never built either.

This comparison of home building with motor car manufacture needs a little de-bunking, much as we hate to disturb the mental picture of those who see a long assembly line of new homes, proceeding along a conveyor, while the successive trades do their stuff—an allowance of perhaps four minutes for the masonry, ten minutes for the carpentry, thirty seconds for the plumbing and so on.

A house a minute is a lovely goal to work toward and if houses could be delivered complete to lots perhaps 500 miles

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away there would be nothing to interfere with its realization. But houses cannot be considered nor constructed apart from the lots on which they stand. Such steps as may now be taken in quantity production are valuable only in developing new outlying areas-while the crying need is for the re-development of dilapidated central districts.

While economy is being rightly stressed, the solution of America's building problems lies in progressively better and more livable homes-not in learning to put up with lower standards.

Henry D. Thoreau in his cabin at Walden, Gandhi in his austere ashram, or Xenophon's ten thousand camping under the stars are examples of what men can do, in a spirit of sacrifice, rather than what men want to do. There is no more

easily available, low cost habitation than a tent. But in this day and country there is no reason why people should be compelled or expected to limit their desires to such humble standards. Some of the agitators for factory-built

standards overlook this fact. To argue for contentment with lower standards, rather than progressive improvement, is to reverse western psychology and thus further upset our economic system.

Building, we believe, will always be building-rather than mass production. Increase in factory fabrication of certain units, such as built-in devices is conceivable. Such things as stairways, fireplaces, partitions, roof and floor sections may, some day, come on the job in semi-completed shape. But recourse to new material and methods will be in the nature of evolution rather than revolution. Too many obvious improvements remain untried for us to see only sweeping innovations.

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### Seven Questions

New York City.

To the Editor:

The report of "committee this" and "committee that" for the increase of new and the remodeling of old construction, comes to our attention frequently. However, not in one instance do these various committee reports answer what the public desires to know:

(1) Why should we build while radical fluctuations in market values exist?

(2) What is being done to stabilize construction values? (3) What assurance do the buyer and investor have that

they will receive the right economic value for the money if they do buy?

What is the sound basis on which to buy construction? (5) Is there a positive yard stick for the construction buyer and investor, and what neutral source of cost information concerning the relative value of construction work is available?

Will the taxes continue to soar to uneconomic heights?

(7) Why can't we borrow money without being crucified with unreasonable guarantees and high finance rates if the construction involved has sound economic value?

These are some of the questions that should be answered to the public and there won't remain any depression to think about. May we have your answers to as many of these questions as possible? It will be appreciated, and your answers will enable us to help encourage construction ac-

By G. SZMAK, Managing Engineer, Construction Survey Co.

EDITOR'S NOTE, All these are thought provoking-has any one of our readers an answer?

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# CLASSIFIED DIRECTORY AND BUYERS' GUIDE

THIS list of manufacturers is presented so that readers of AMERICAN BUILDER AND BUILDING AGE may quickly identify and locate manufacturers of building products, specialties, and contractor's equipment. The arrangement is alphabetical, by product headings; under each product heading the manufacturer's names are listed alphabetically. At the right of each name will be found the

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